

# WEATHER FORECASTS

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday:  
Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong southerly and westerly winds, unsettled and mild, with rain.  
Lower Mainland—Southerly and westerly winds, unsettled and mild, with rain.

# Victoria Daily Times

# WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT

Pantages—Vaudeville.  
Royal Victoria—Marguerite Clark.  
Dominion—“Some Boy.”  
Variety—Norma Talmadge.

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## GERMANS THREATEN RESUMPTION OF OPERATIONS IF RUSSIA DOES NOT GIVE UP BALTIC PROVINCES

**Mask Thrown Off Completely by Teutons at Last Session at Brest-Litovsk; Said Adjournment to January 29 Was Last They Would Agree to**

Petrograd, Jan. 23, via London, Jan. 24.—Russia must give up Courland and all the other Baltic provinces or the Germans will resume military operations and occupy Reval within a week, the German delegation at the Brest-Litovsk negotiations informed the Bolshevik representatives at the last session of the conference. An adjournment was taken until January 29 to permit the Russians to consider the German terms.

Reports of the session indicate that the Germans took a definite stand and most frankly outlined the demands on which they are insistent.

The secretary of the Ukrainian delegation gave out an account of the meeting. It says the Russians put a question to the delegates

of the Central Powers as to what their final peace terms would be. General Hoffmann, one of the German delegates, replied by opening a map and pointing out the following line, which he insisted should constitute the frontier of Russia: From the shore of the Gulf of Finland at a point east of the Moon Sound Islands to Valk, west of Minsk, thence to Brest-Litovsk.

This would completely eliminate Courland and all the other Baltic provinces. The Russians asked the terms of the Central Powers in regard to the territory south of Brest-Litovsk. General Hoffmann replied that that was a question which they would discuss only with the Ukrainians.

M. Kanaeff, a member of the Bolshevik delegation, asked: “Supposing we do not agree to such conditions. What are you going to do?”

General Hoffmann's answer is reported to have been: “Within a week then we would occupy Reval.” The Bolsheviks then asked for a recess, which was granted reluctantly. The Germans declared it was the last postponement to which they would consent. The request was made by Leon Trotsky, head of the Bolshevik delegation, who said he desired an opportunity to lay the German peace terms before the Council of Workmen and Soldiers' Delegates.

The negotiations between the Ukrainian delegates and the Central Powers are proceeding amicably. The Austrians offered to cede Cholm Tschina to the Ukrainian Republic, but only on condition that the Ukrainians send grain and other foodstuffs to the Central Powers immediately on the conclusion of peace.

**Gauntlet Thrown Down.** London, Jan. 24.—Germany, under control of the military party, has thrown down the gauntlet to Russia and defined a Russian frontier line beyond which the Russians are told they must not claim further influence, according to the latest Petrograd address.

The Bolshevik peace negotiations at Brest-Litovsk were told the real German terms, the dispatches state, and it is revealed that these include the abandonment by Russia of Courland and all the rest of the Baltic coast land. Unless the Bolsheviks consent to these terms by January 29, when the peace conference is to reconvene, the Germans threaten that they will break off the negotiations and advance and occupy Reval, on the Gulf of Finland, within a week.

It is considered significant that this ultimatum was laid down by General Hoffmann, who has been representing the German army at the peace conference, indicating the predominance of the military element in Germany.

**Line Demanded.** The line which the Germans are declared to have indicated as the future frontier of Russia runs from the Gulf of Finland east of Moon Island, to Valk, west of Minsk, and south to Brest-Litovsk. This line, taking in the Baltic territory as a whole, represents the limit of the field within which the Germans are willing to negotiate with Russia. South of Brest-Litovsk they insist upon discussing the settlement with the Ukrainians, who claim to control that territory. The line follows largely the present battlefield fairly closely but extends even beyond that front at some points.

As a bait to the Ukrainians, the Austrians are reported to be offering to cede them the Cholm Tschina district, which appears to be a corner of Russian Poland just west of Volhynia. This is to be given to the Ukrainians in case it consents to send foodstuffs to the Central Powers immediately on the conclusion of peace.

**NEW FREIGHT RATES WILL NOT GO INTO EFFECT FEBRUARY 1**

Ottawa, Jan. 24.—The new railway freight rates will not go into effect on February 1 as planned. When the inquiry concluded today Sir Robert Borden suggested that when Mr. Symington finished his adjourn until March 1, and this was done.

## A German Destroyer Sunk by Torpedo or Mine in North Sea

Copenhagen, Jan. 24.—Seventeen men from a German destroyer which was hit by a mine or was struck by a torpedo have been landed on the west coast of Jutland.

## REPORTS COME OF A REVOLUTION IN AUSTRIA; PROGRESS MADE AND A CABINET NAMED, IT IS STATED

### Bolshevik Reject Demands of Germans at Peace Discussion

Petrograd, Jan. 23, via London, Jan. 24.—The Russian delegates to the Brest-Litovsk peace convention have decided unanimously to reject the terms offered by the Germans.

#### KILLED BY SAFE.

Moose Jaw, Jan. 24.—Philip Krause, a drayman, was so severely injured yesterday at Hazenmore, Sask., when a large safe rolled on him that he died in a few minutes without regaining consciousness.

### Bolshevik Leaders in Petrograd Say Uprising Is Making Headway; 200,000 Men Still on Strike in Austria; Budapest Strike Continues

New York, Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—According to news agency dispatches, the Smolny Institute, headquarters of the Bolsheviks in Petrograd, has announced a revolution in Austria, indicating that the revolutionists have named a new Cabinet and are making progress. There has been no confirmation, but it is known that there has been serious social and economic unrest in the Dual Monarchy for some time.

London, Jan. 24.—(United Press Dispatch.)—A revolution has broken out in Vienna, according to information received here to-day from Berne. The revolutionists are attempting to seize all governmental power in the Dual Monarchy and have organized a Provisional Government, the dispatch added.

### ENEMY EVACUATES AN AREA IN ITALY

Gives Up Ground Behind Monte Tomba; Forced by French

Italian Army Headquarters in Northern Italy, Jan. 23, via Rome and London, Jan. 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—The enemy has evacuated territory on the northern mountain front behind Monte Tomba, extending from the Piave River westward. His defence lines have now been moved back to Monte Spioncino.

Italian patrols making reconnaissances in the Piave area a few days ago found that the enemy patrols and sentinels had been withdrawn and later discovered that the enemy had abandoned the entire region. This retreat is a sequel to the brilliant victory French troops recently obtained on Monte Tomba, inasmuch as the enemy's positions thereafter became untenable. The retirement is important as showing that he has given up his effort to force a passage to the Venetian Plain by way of Monte Tomba and the west bank of the Piave, at least for the present. He is now constructing defence works in the rear.

**To Piave.** When the French troops made their drive at Monte Tomba some of their detachments were carried by enthusiasm through the Austro-German lines to the bank of the Piave River. They then found the hamlets were deserted, but it was believed this was only incidental to the day's operations and it was not then known that the section was being systematically abandoned by the enemy. Further reconnaissances made in the last few days showed there had been a definite withdrawal. Camps, materials and supplies had been taken to the rear and the long lines of forward trenches were deserted.

Italian patrols exploring the region found the Austrians had adopted a remarkable ruse to conceal their departure. They had lined the forward trenches with dummy soldiers slumped with helmets which projected slightly above the trenches to give an appearance of occupation. In one of the battery positions they had constructed machine guns with zinc barrels mounted on wood, while pieces of wood and gas pipe were shaped with the same object in view.

### BOLSHEVIKI SEIZE MANY OPPONENTS

Arrest Scores Whom They Charge With Plotting Against Them

Petrograd, Jan. 24.—The Bolsheviks arrested scores of persons, including party leaders, whom they declare were involved in a revolutionary plot organized among the Social Revolutionist factions in the Constituent Assembly which controlled the Assembly at the single session which was held before it was suspended by the Bolsheviks. A battalion of death is reported to have been organized to support this movement.

The Bolsheviks found a large quantity of bombs, firearms and documents. A soldier and a member of the Red Guard were arrested to-day charged with the murder of Shingarov and Kokoshine, who were members of the Kerensky Government and who were slain in the marine hospital here last week. A sailor who is said to have been the leader is still at large.

## TWICE AS MANY U. S. MEN IN FRANCE NEXT JUNE AS PLANNED, SAYS A REPORT

Washington, Jan. 24.—While declining to comment directly upon the statement attributed to President Wilson that there will be twice as many American soldiers abroad next June as had been originally planned, Secretary of War Baker said yesterday:

“The programme of the War Department has been a constantly developing one and many difficulties and limitations have been removed therefrom.

“I can not discuss the numbers of men in France or anticipated to be in France at any particular time, but we have made substantial progress.”

### BELGIAN PEOPLE MUST HAVE LIBERTY

Nation Must Be Free, Government States in Reply to Pope

Havre, Jan. 24.—Absolute political, economic and territorial independence are, in substance, the Belgian Government's terms of peace so far as they concern Belgium itself. These terms are set forth in the Government's reply to Pope Benedict's peace note, made public yesterday.

King Albert, in enclosing his reply, wrote a personal letter to the Pope, which also was published yesterday. The letter follows: “Very Holy Father: I took note, with lively sympathy and interest, of the message Your Holiness was good enough to send to the heads of the belligerent countries the first of August, and hastened to submit it to my Government, which has studied it with most serious and deferential attention. The result of that study has been recorded in a note which I am happy to communicate to Your Holiness.

“In associating myself with the wishes of the Holy See that a just and durable peace may promptly put an end to the evils from which humanity, and particularly the Belgian people, so justly tried, are suffering, I beg Your Holiness to believe in my filial and respectful attachment.

“(Signed) ALBERT.”

The letter was dated December 27, 1917.

**Government's Note.** The note of the Belgian Government says:

“The Royal Government, as soon as it received the message of Your Holiness to the heads of the belligerent nations, hastened to reply that it would study with the greatest deference the proposition the document exposed in such elevating language. At the same time it desired particularly to express its lively and profound gratitude for the message—inspired in the Holy Father manifested in the Belgian nation and of which the document was new and precious proof.

“At the outset of his message the Holy Father took pains to declare he had forced himself to maintain perfect impartiality toward all the belligerents, which renders more significant the judgment of His Holiness when he concluded in favor of the total evacuation of Belgium and the re-establishment of its full independence, and also recognized the right of Belgium for reparation for damages and the cost of the war.

Declared in 1915, the Holy Father had proclaimed before the world that he reproved injustice and he condescended to give the Belgian Government the assurance that in formulating that reprobation it was the invasion of Belgium he had directly in view.

“The honest people of all countries will rejoice with the Belgian Government that the injustice of which Belgium was the victim and the necessity for reparation have been proclaimed and that the highest moral authority of Christendom remains watchful amidst the passion and conflicts of men.

## DISCONTENT STEADILY GROWS IN GERMANY, NEWS INDICATES

London, Jan. 24.—The impression conveyed in to-day's news dispatches from Switzerland and Holland regarding the internal situation in Germany on the eve of Chancellor von Hertling's expected address before the main committee of the Reichstag is one of discontent among the masses, suppressed by the triumphant hand of the military party. The efforts of the German censorship to prevent public knowledge of the Austrian strike and peace demonstrations succeeded for a time but the news Austrian events seem now to be widely known by the German workers.

The Austrian hope that the latter would follow their lead has not, however, materialized, while German newspapers which ventured to hold out a hand to the Austrian proletariat have been sternly repressed.

Nevertheless, according to The London Post's Amsterdam correspondent, the rebellious sentiments of German workmen, especially the Independent Socialists, are becoming stronger. This is partly attributed to the attitude of the German delegates at the Brest-Litovsk conference, which has caused wide-spread discontent, as was manifested by the tumultuous scenes at numerous meetings of the Fatherland Party, one of the leaders of which is von Tirpitz.

The Dutch Roman Catholic journal Tyd prints an article received through an indirect channel from one of its correspondents in Germany in which he says that “events at Brest-Litovsk and President Wilson's new peace formula, which in wide circles is considered a suitable basis for the regulation of society for the future, have prepared the ground for the Bolshevik tendency.

**Wooden Horse.** “It is recognized in educated circles,” says the writer, “that the wooden horse has been brought in at the Brest-Litovsk meeting and there is anxiety lest the German attitude in the negotiations may lead to a division among the people. The masses turn away from the yelled annexationist lust of power formulated by General Hoffman.”

Continuing, the writer speaks of the rebellious temper of the factory populations in the industrial centres, and adds: “No wonder fear is expressed here and there that the people, disgusted with the postponed suffrage reform, furious with the Pan-Germans, exhausted in body and fortune and deprived of the hope of the restoration of national and individual happiness, will themselves take the settlement of their lot into their own hands if any great military setback is suffered. The failure of the separate peace with Russia also would give the signal for an incalculable reaction at a moment when the nervous strain in Germany is well-nigh unbearable.”

**In Saxony House.** An incident in the Saxon Lower House on Monday, the Tyd correspondent says, is indicative of the popular sentiment.

The King of Saxony recently sent a telegram to the Fatherland Party advocating a “safety peace.” This was sharply censured by the Socialists of the Chamber. The Socialist vice-president, Fraedorf, said the King “was badly informed and badly advised by his Ministers and declared the people took quite a different standpoint from that of the Fatherland Party.

Important conferences are reported to have been renewed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, whereat Field-Marshal von Hindenburg, General Ludendorff, Chancellor von Hertling and Dr. Richard von Kuehlmann, the German Foreign Secretary, participated with the Kaiser.

### Forty Were Killed in Moscow Tuesday at a Demonstration

Petrograd, Jan. 23.—Via London, Jan. 24.—Forty persons were killed and 200 injured in Moscow on Tuesday during a demonstration at “Bloody Sunday.”

### BELGIAN HONORS FOR GEN. CURRIE

Order de Couronne and Croix de Guerre Tributes to Canadian Valor

Canadian Headquarters in France, Jan. 24.—(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent)—Belgium has honored Canada. The brave little nation has paid a pleasing tribute to the valor of the Canadian forces in France. At the corps headquarters to-day Lieut. General Orth, of the Belgian Mission, in the name of King Albert, decorated Lieut. General Sir Arthur Currie with the Order de Couronne and the Croix de Guerre in recognition of his personal valor and of the splendid record of the Canadian army. In making the presentation General Orth mentioned particularly Belgium's gratitude to Canada for winning back at Passchendaele more of its native land.

Major H. B. Williamson, D.S.O., also was decorated with the Croix de Guerre.

The first 16,000 Christmas parcels from Ontario for the soldiers from that province now in France have arrived and are now being distributed. With two theatres playing nightly to crowded houses, a third house has been opened up, with the comedy “The Private Secretary.”

The front line in the neighborhood of the Canadian army continues quiet.

### UNUSUAL ACTIVITY FOR WINTER MONTHS

London Dispatch Predicts Developments of Magnitude in West and Italy

London, Jan. 24.—On the Western front in France and Belgium and on the Italian front, where the contending armies of the belligerents in the world war have displayed little activity for some time, official reports announce a resumption of hostilities of unusual activity for the winter months. While the operations mentioned in the statements from the various army headquarters are of little consequence from a military view, they indicate that developments of considerable magnitude are in immediate prospect.

The intensity of the artillery fire has increased all along the Western front and raiding parties and air fighting have been resumed under more favorable conditions. A German raid on British trenches west of La Bassée was announced in the British official communication last night, which added that another hostile party had been dispersed west of Villers Gislain. A report from Field-Marshal Haig to-day stated there was nothing of importance to announce.

In the Neuport sector the French War Office last night announced the recapture of ground gained by enemy troops in a raid Wednesday morning.

Information of the revolt was received by the Bolshevik Government at Petrograd from Austro-Hungarian soldiers on the Eastern front. At the same time word was received from Berne that a mutiny had broken out in the Vienna garrison.

Petrograd advices stated that the news of the revolution had been given out there by M. Nelotsky, the Bolshevik Foreign Under-Secretary.

The information created an impression here. If a successful revolution could be undertaken in Austria-Hungary at this time it would be one of the biggest events of the war. It would mean the severance of the alliance with Germany and undoubtedly would mean a quick peace.

#### Causes of Strike.

Unrest has been growing in Austria-Hungary for months. It came to a head within the past few days in a general strike. There were numerous contributing causes, but the chief of them were famine and distress caused by the long war, hostility to the Government's servility to Germany, factional strife among the numerous races making up the Dual Monarchy, an ardent desire for peace, and Socialist influence exerted by the Russian Bolsheviks.

The number of strikers in Vienna has been increased nearly to 250,000, it was reported. Numerous industries engaged in the output of war supplies have been forced to close down.

#### Strike Continues.

London, Jan. 24.—Reports received in Copenhagen from Vienna, as forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen indicate that 200,000 men are still on strike in Austria and that the strike continues in Budapest. A Vienna dispatch to The Vossische Zeitung, of Berlin, says that while work was resumed in part on Monday the strike continues in a number of large factories.

The extremists are not contented with the settlement reached at a result of the Government's concessions to the Socialists. They are circulating among the workers leaflets violently attacking the official party leaders.

### DOUBT IN OFFICIAL CIRCLES IN BERLIN

Events in Russia Make Teutons Uncertain About Peace Discussions

Amsterdam, Jan. 24.—German parliamentary circles regard the Russian situation as being critical, according to The Lokal Anzeiger, of Berlin, a copy of which has been received here. The paper says that the latest news from Petrograd shows that the supremacy of the Bolsheviks is seriously threatened and the question now arises as to whether it would be wise to negotiate further with men whom scarcely at any moment may sweep away.

The Lokal Anzeiger adds that in political circles account is being taken of the possible influence events in Petrograd may have on the negotiations at Brest-Litovsk.

#### Teuton Unrest.

London, Jan. 24.—Evidence of unrest among the people in Austria and Germany continues to reach the outside world through Switzerland and Holland. News of the Austrian strike and peace demonstrations appears to be generally known in Germany despite the efforts of the censorship to the contrary. The Austrian hope that the German workers would follow their lead, however, has not materialized, due probably to the powerful military party.



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### TWO OBJECTORS TO MILITARY SERVICE TO JAIL IN MANITOBA

Winnipeg, Jan. 24.—Two years in the Stony Mountain penitentiary was the sentence imposed on two conscientious objectors to military service by Magistrate Macdonald in the City Police Court here yesterday. They are David Wells and Charles H. Edwards.

Edwards defied the authorities when called upon for service. In a letter to his sweetheart, written evidently after he was ordered to report, he said: "I consider this a grand and glorious privilege to witness for the Lord."

### BOLSHEVIKI SEIZE ROUMANIAN FUNDS

Amsterdam, Jan. 24.—According to a Petrograd dispatch to German newspapers, which was received by an indirect route, the Bolsheviki have seized a portion of the funds of the Roumanian Treasury deposited in Moscow banks, and also have taken the Roumanian crown jewels at Kishinev.

According to the dispatch, Queen Marie of Roumania has fled from Kishinev to Jassy, the Roumanian capital.

### HALIFAX REPORT IS AWAITED IN LONDON

No Statement by British Government on Disaster Until Inquiry Ends

London, May 24 (via Reuter's Ottawa Agency).—In the House of Commons yesterday Commander Bellairs asked when the Government would be in a position to issue a statement regarding the responsibility for the Halifax disaster, having special regard to the dangerous and inflammable cargo carried with high explosives in a munitions ship, the admission of such a ship for a number of days to a crowded portion of the port, the precautionary rules regarding the movement of other ships when a ship with dangerous explosives as a cargo is under way in the channel, the instructions given such ships regarding flooding arrangements in the event of a fire, and, finally, as to the manning of neutral ships which have access to the ports and whose crews are brought into direct contact with the enemy through work of relief in territories conquered by the Germans.

Hon. W. A. S. Hewins replied: "It is not possible to make any statement pending the receipt of the report of a commission of inquiry appointed by the Canadian Government."

### LOCAL ATTACKS ON ENEMY ON ITALIAN FRONT SUCCESSFUL

Rome, Jan. 24.—The War Office here reported last evening:

"There have been active and profitable reconnaissance by small groups against the enemy line between the southeastern slopes of Monte Spionola and right bank of the Piave. From the Orto Valley we brought back materials of various kinds, and in a successful surprise attack south of Quero a French party captured prisoners and a machine gun."

"From Nervosa to Ponte della Priola our patrols drove back hostile parties. The fire along the front at times grew more intense between the Adige and Brenta valleys and along the banks of the Piave."

### BOLSHEVIKI TAKE OVER RUSSIAN RED CROSS

Petrograd, Jan. 23.—Via London, Jan. 24.—The Bolsheviki have taken over the Russian Red Cross, which has been in the hands of non-partisans. The heads of the organization, including M. Pokrovsky, former Minister of Foreign Affairs, have been arrested as counter-revolutionaries.

### VICTORIA NORTHWEST WORLD

### WEDNESDAY LEAGUE ENTRIES ARE CALLED

No Junior League Yet; Peden Semi-Finals Drawn; More Mid-Week Games

"Provided sufficient entries are received before the next meeting of the Victoria and District Football Association a Wednesday league will be formed," was the gist of a motion passed last evening by the delegates to the regular gathering of the V. D. F. A. A. A second clause was added to the effect that provided the league in question was formed the entrance fee should be \$3 and that this money should go to providing a set of sweaters for use by teams which in future might be representing Victoria.

The question of commencing a Wednesday league was introduced by the delegate of the V. I. A. A., who stated that the organization was prepared to field teams for both divisions. He felt that there was an opportunity for Wednesday football in view of the changing of the half-holiday. The forming of a league for play on that day would be the means of providing sport for the public.

Commence at Once.

It was suggested, however, that the present Saturday league be finished up before the matter of a new division was considered. To this it was pointed out that the Victoria Wests who were practically at the end of their scheduled games would be out of the play for many weeks while other clubs were meeting their fixtures.

It was therefore decided that entries should be called for a new league and that all back games of the Jackson Cup series be played on Wednesdays and Saturdays to complete the schedule. Both Navy and V. I. A. A. delegates objected to this motion until it was pointed out that the teams, when unable to meet their engagements, reserved the right to give the Association forty-eight hours' notice.

Dates Fixed.

To further aid in bringing the clubs to a more uniform standing so far as the number of games played was concerned the meeting eliminated the Wests from Saturday's contests and fixed the games for the coming week-end as follows: Navy vs. 8th Regiment at the Canteen grounds, referees, Goward; Infantry vs. Garrison at Willows, referees, Sordt, Major Jones; C. A. M. C. vs. V. I. A. A. at Willows, referees, Wilkey.

The draw was made last evening by the local executive for the semi-finals of the Peden Cup series, the games resulting being as follows: Victoria Wests vs. Infantry, on February 2; E. M. C. H. vs. V. I. A. A., on February 16. In each case the first named team will be responsible for preparing the grounds. It is probable that the contests will be played at the Royal Athletic Park.

Junior League.

The question of forming a junior league was left over for another week in view of the fact that only two teams had sent in their entrance fees.

While in Seattle in company with the E. M. C. H. footballers who journeyed to Camp Lewis this week-end, the league officials will interview Seattle soccer authorities relative to the arranging on inter-city games between Victoria and the Sound City.

### SENIOR SOCCER LEAGUE

| Teams          | P. | W. | L. | D. | Pts. |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|------|
| Victoria Wests | 12 | 11 | 0  | 1  | 23   |
| E. M. C. H.    | 9  | 6  | 3  | 1  | 11   |
| V. I. A. A.    | 8  | 4  | 2  | 2  | 10   |
| Garrison       | 5  | 4  | 1  | 1  | 9    |
| Navy           | 7  | 3  | 3  | 1  | 7    |
| C. A. M. C.    | 9  | 2  | 6  | 1  | 5    |
| 8th Regiment   | 9  | 2  | 6  | 1  | 5    |

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Jackson Soccer.  
C. A. M. C. 2, Navy, 6.  
Friendly Soccer.  
V. I. A. A. 5, R. C. R., 6.

### MAINLAND CHALLENGE CUP SERIES IS NOW IN THE SECOND STAGE

Vancouver, Jan. 24.—The second round of the Mainland Challenge Cup will be decided next Saturday. All eight teams, five senior and three junior, will compete, and in at least two of the contests there is a great diversity of opinion regarding the ultimate winners.

The eleven young Collingwood team, matched against Kitsilano and after their brilliant performance against Longshoremen many fans are predicting that they will come right back against the Kitsies and qualify for the semi-final. If they are successful, two junior teams will be in the semi-finals as South Hill and Cedar Cottage clash next Saturday.

Probably the most exciting game of the second round will be between Kelly Douglas and Coughlans at McBride Park, with Murphy in charge of the whistle. The other games and officials are: Heart vs. Western Canada, Abietic vs. Heart, Leach vs. Collingwood, Cambie Street, Webster; Cedar Cottage vs. South Hill.

### KITCHENER WINS.

Sarnia, Ont., Jan. 24.—In one of the rowdiest senior O. H. A. games ever played here Kitchener beat the home boys last night, nine to eight. As a result of fights and rioting the police were called. A fight between two players started the rioting, in which spectators joined. The rink was packed to capacity. A whisky bottle hurled from the gallery on to the ice narrowly missed a player.

### MEDICALS DEFEATED NAVY BY TWO TO NIL

Harwood Scored for the Winners; Rutter Was Star in Sailor Defence

On their home ground covering a portion of the slope from the Normal School, the Canadian Army Medical Corps soccerists defeated the Navy by a score of 2-0 in a Jackson Cup match played yesterday afternoon. For ninety minutes the two clubs chased each other over a campus which, in dry weather, would have made brilliant play possible. As it was, recent rains had converted it into a surface of the most slippery nature imaginable. Of this fact the teams became cognizant before the match had been in progress for many minutes. Despite this, however, the game was of a far higher calibre than many a contest played under more favorable circumstances.

In Good Form.

The Medicals were in good form as a whole, although showing weak spots at various points of their line. As a team they played more in unison than has been the case for some weeks past. Stephens in goal acquitted himself with signal success while Swan at back distinguished himself to some purpose. On the forward line most of the praise went to Harwood who scored both goals for the team, one being in the first and the other in the second half, and also to Gunn who, despite the fact that he missed several Class A chances to score, atoned for these errors by hard work and noticeable individual playing.

Much of the success of the Medicals was due to their long passing. The team showed not a little improvement in its combination, although the effectiveness of this asset was marred on numerous occasions by the slipperiness of both ground and ball.

Accuracy Required.

Considering the circumstances which they were called upon to face it must be said that the Navy made an excellent showing. Practically half of the team was composed of men who are not regulars with the eleven. They were thus somewhat strange to each other's play. Determination, however, kept them alive to the situation and was productive of some work that kept their opponents in a state of perpetual uneasiness. There were many periods of the match when a little more accuracy on the part of the forwards would have netted the required goals. Rutter played great football at back and was ably supported by Brynjolfsson at centre-half. Davis worked hard at centre, but his support was weak.

Disregarded Warnings.

Bramley, who played back for the Medicals may consider himself fortunate in not being sent from the field. His general disregard of the referee's warning might have proved disastrous had the officials been in a position to gain the full purport of the player's remarks.

The teams lined up as follows:  
C. A. M. C.—Stephens; Bramley; Swan; McLeellian, Gortley, Duncan; Watson, Gunn, Morgan, Harwood, Mawhinney.  
Navy—Cronin; Walters, Rutter; Patterson, Brynjolfsson, Bone; Hillier; Rowse, Davis, Langridge, Cosler.  
Referee—P. C. Payne.

### LADIES' BASKETBALL GAMES ARE OPENED

In the opening game of the ladies' division of the Sunday School Basketball League the Presbyterian "A" team defeated the "B" quintette by 21-11.

In the second contest the Pilgrims won from the Episcopals by a score of 17-10.

The teams were as follows:  
Presbyterian A—Misses Mary Hannan, G. Pauley, Bee Briggs, Beale Harkness and Ruby Harkness. Presbyterian B—Misses Marjorie Moffatt, Dorothy Ald, Marjorie Dunn, Jean Taylor and Lean Sexsmith. Pilgrims—Misses Rita Hatch, Edith Grant, Gwen Hole, Alma Lyche and Alberta Hurst. Fairfields—Misses Be. Rice, Pearce, W. Ross, M. Osterhout, T. Owen and E. Bommer-Hill.

### COAST HOCKEY LEAGUE

Coast League Standing.

| Teams     | W. | L. | T. | Pts. |
|-----------|----|----|----|------|
| Vancouver | 3  | 3  | 15 | 20   |
| Portland  | 3  | 3  | 15 | 20   |
| Seattle   | 3  | 3  | 15 | 20   |

Individual Scoring.

| Teams               | Gms. | Goals | Assists | Pts. |
|---------------------|------|-------|---------|------|
| Taylor, Vancouver   | 6    | 9     | 1       | 19   |
| Roberts, Seattle    | 5    | 8     | 1       | 18   |
| Morris, Seattle     | 6    | 6     | 2       | 14   |
| Tobin, Portland     | 6    | 6     | 1       | 13   |
| Wilson, Seattle     | 6    | 5     | 2       | 12   |
| Dundee, Portland    | 5    | 5     | 1       | 11   |
| Johnson, Portland   | 5    | 4     | 2       | 10   |
| Cattman, Portland   | 5    | 4     | 2       | 10   |
| Harris, Portland    | 5    | 3     | 2       | 8    |
| Mackay, Vancouver   | 5    | 3     | 1       | 7    |
| Patrick, Seattle    | 5    | 3     | 1       | 7    |
| McDonald, Vancouver | 5    | 2     | 1       | 5    |
| Moynes, Vancouver   | 5    | 1     | 2       | 3    |
| Riley, Seattle      | 5    | 1     | 2       | 3    |
| Foyston, Seattle    | 1    | 1     | 2       | 3    |
| Barbour, Portland   | 5    | 0     | 2       | 2    |
| Cook, Vancouver     | 5    | 0     | 2       | 2    |
| Riokey, Seattle     | 5    | 0     | 1       | 1    |
| Loughlin, Portland  | 5    | 0     | 1       | 1    |
| Grims, Vancouver    | 2    | 0     | 1       | 1    |
| Stanley, Vancouver  | 5    | 0     | 1       | 1    |
| Total               | 53   | 27    | 50      |      |

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### FUNDS FROM STATES FOR IRISH CAUSE

Rumor Says \$100,000,000 Available to Secure Full Measure of Home Rule

London, Jan. 24.—The London Telegraph's Dublin correspondent states that a report from Washington that the United States is preparing to lend Ireland \$100,000,000 to obtain the full measure of Home Rule and American capitalists are ready to invest a like sum in Ireland if the question is settled, is prominently displayed in all Irish papers and has caused the greatest interest. The Dublin correspondent of The Times says that the report furnishes the friends of a settlement with a new and powerful argument and will serve to increase the disrepute of the Sinn Féin policy, whose violence and abuse now embraces the President and Government of the United States.

Dublin reports regarding the Irish Convention continue hopeful. Dispatches to The Chronicle contain mysterious references to certain eventualities following the Convention which might induce John Redmond to regard his retirement from the leadership as obligatory and the paper makes an earnest plea in Redmond's behalf, saying: "If he is driven from his position, being obliged to resign because of any action or failure on the part of those who get support from him, the cause of Ireland, as far as the war is concerned, would go down with him and all consequences would have to be faced of what would appear to be a betrayal of Ireland, for so the world would think of what would appear to be a betrayal of Redmond."

### ALBERTA OPPOSES OTTAWA PLAN FOR FINANCIAL ISSUES

Edmonton, Jan. 24.—Contending that it is unconstitutional, and, further, that it has been satisfactorily settled by conference and arrangement, the Government of Alberta has written Sir Robert Borden protesting against the Order-in-Council regarding the issue and sale of provincial securities. The letter as sent by Premier Stewart is as follows:

"The Government of the Province of Alberta has refrained up to the present from making any protest to your Government in connection with the recent Order-in-Council regarding the issue and sale of provincial securities and securities of institutions under provincial control, on account of the reports to the effect that amendments were to be made to the original Order."

"As I now understand that the original Order is to be enforced, I desire to bring to your attention the fact that, while the policy of the Government is not to interfere with or embarrass the Dominion Government

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### BRITAIN NEEDS MORE WHEAT FROM STATES.

London, Jan. 24.—Great Britain calls upon the United States for 75,000,000 bushels more wheat.

This was one of the most important statements which Lord Rhondda, the Food Controller, made in an interview with the Associated Press yesterday. The Controller described the food shortage in Great Britain as most serious, but not such as would be detrimental to the health of the population with proper management of the supplies. He drew a sharp distinction between the conditions in Germany, where the public health, particularly that of women and children, had been dangerously undermined by lack of nutrition and semi-starvation, and where the working effectiveness of men had been decreased 30 per cent, and in Great Britain.

In Britain, he said, the self-denial thus far practised had actually improved the physical condition of the nation.



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## LEGAL AND OFFICIAL NOTICES

## LAND REGISTRY ACT

## Notice Under Section 35.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Henry Moss as the owner in fee-simple, under a Tax Sale Deed from the Collector of the Corporation of the District of Saanich to Henry Moss, bearing date the 19th day of October, A. D. 1917, in pursuance of a Tax Sale held by said Collector on or about the 25th day of July, 1916, of all and singular certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying, and being in the District of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as Lots Twenty-five (25), Twenty-six (26) and Twenty-seven (27), Block Two (2), of part of Section Forty-four (44), Map 134.

You and those claiming through or under you, and all persons claiming any interest in the said land by descent whose title is not registered under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act" are required to contest the claim of the tax purchaser within 30 days of the service of this notice upon you. Otherwise you and each of you will be for ever estopped and debarred from setting up any claim to or in respect of the said land, and I shall register the said Henry Moss as owner in fee.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, at the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 7th day of December, A. D. 1917.

J. C. GWYNN,

Registrar-General.

To Clement H. A. Goss, registered owner of charge and assessed owner.

I direct that service of this notice be made by publication thereof in The Victoria Daily Times 12 consecutive issues.

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J. C. GWYNN,

Registrar-General of Titles.

Columbia, this 7th day of December, A. D. 1917.

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To H. Clark, assessed owner.

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FRANCOEUR MOTION  
IN QUEBEC DROPPED

Withdrawn Following Speech  
in Which Premier Gouin  
Outlined Attitude

Quebec, Jan. 24.—Sir Lomer Gouin, Premier of Quebec, continued the debate in the Legislative Assembly yesterday afternoon on motion of Mr. Francoeur, respecting Quebec's retirement from the Confederation pact.

Sir Lomer promised at the outset that he would treat the questions arising from the motion briefly and with coolness. It had been said, he continued, that Quebec felt spite as a result of the recent Federal elections. It had been claimed that there was disloyalty in the proposed motion. He thought that the charge of disloyalty was unjust.

In Nova Scotia.

The proposal that a province should leave the pact was not new. Sir Lomer recalled that on April 8, 1886, Hon. W. S. Fielding proposed in the Legislature of Nova Scotia a resolution that meant nothing less than the separation of that province from the Confederation. Mr. Fielding had justified his proposal by showing the financial embarrassment of Nova Scotia as a result of its union with the rest of the Dominion. The Fielding resolution was adopted by a majority of fifteen votes to seven.

When the conscription issue came up, Sir Lomer said, it became a crime for Quebec to discuss it and to vote against it. Why was it not a crime for the Maritime Provinces to take similar action? "I think," he said, "that the Maritime Provinces were to be petitioned to repeal the Military Service Act, Sir Lomer said Mr. Sauve did not dare introduce the motion himself and had not treated him fairly. The Premier had refused the amendment because it would have been out of order, and because he was not in the habit of giving the people of Quebec hopes that could not be fulfilled.

The Province of Quebec had gone on record against conscription at the last election. That was sufficient.

Sir Lomer said he could state his position quite frankly. He was in favor of the Canadian Confederation. Taking into account the needs of the Dominion, the only mode of government was the federation method.

Minorities.

He would say that had he been an executive of another province in 1867, he would have tried to obtain for his French minority there the same measure of justice as the English minority enjoyed in Quebec. If it were given to him to choose between Confederation as it now existed or resort to the governmental system before it, he would vote for Confederation. It was fitting to state that Confederation was only the result of necessity. The Union Act of 1841 could no longer be administered with its original injustice, and the progress of the country prevented its being tolerated longer. The cry of "No Quebec domination" dated from those days.

After reminding the House that Sir George Etienne Cartier had contended that Confederation was a necessity to prevent annexation to the United States, the Prime Minister said the only real opposition to Confederation sprang from those who feared that the French-Canadian and English minorities would be ill-treated. Never had the English-speaking minority been molested since Canada had enjoyed responsible government. There never had been an attempt at molestation.

Motion Withdrawn.

After Sir Lomer Gouin had stopped speaking Mr. Francoeur commented briefly on the various speeches of the debate and withdrew his motion.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
PRIVATE BILLS

Notice is hereby given that the time limited by the Rules of the House for presenting petitions for Private Bills will expire on February 15, 1918.

Private Bills must be presented on or before February 23, 1918.

Reports from Standing or Select Committees on Private Bills must be made on or before March 7, 1918.

Dated this 7th day of January, 1918.

THORNTON FIELD,  
Clerk Legislative Assembly.

## LAND REGISTRY ACT

## Section 34.

In the Matter of Part of Sub Lot One, Fernwood Estate, Victoria City, Map 85.

Proof having been filed of the loss of Certificate of Title No. 1863A, issued to Thomas Sinclair Gore on the 11th day of July, 1894, I hereby give notice of my intention, at the expiration of one calendar month from the first publication hereof, to issue to the said Thomas Sinclair Gore a fresh Certificate of Title in lieu thereof.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 23rd day of December, 1917.

J. C. GWYNN,

Registrar-General of Titles.

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OF OAK BAY

Applications, addressed to the undersigned, will be received by the Council up to 12 noon on Saturday, February 2, 1918, for the combined position of Clerk, Treasurer and Collector, at a salary of \$150 per month.

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A. O. BUNTING,  
Acting C. M. C.

Municipal Hall, Oak Bay, B. C., January 22, 1918.

HUNGARIAN WORKMEN  
WANT SPEEDY PEACE

Deputation Told Wokerle Principle of No Annexations Must Rule

Amsterdam, Jan. 24.—The official correspondence bureau of Budapest announces that Dr. Wokerle, the Hungarian Premier, received a deputation of workmen which handed him a memorial containing a resolution stating that the workmen desired a speedy conclusion of peace based on the principles of the rights of peoples and the immediate discussion in the Hungarian lower House of the franchise bill. The workmen further requested a fair and equitable distribution of food-stuffs and other necessities.

Premier Wokerle, in reply, referred to Foreign Minister Czernin's well-known statement on the peace negotiations and added that the Hungarian Government was strongly supporting that peace policy. But, he said, incidents like the present strike seriously menaced the peace negotiations and if the workmen desired the accomplishment of peace these disturbances must be immediately stopped.

Dr. Wokerle emphasized that the Government would stand or fall with the franchise bill and appeal to the people if a majority for the bill was not obtained. He announced that the Government was resolved to take energetic measures to master the difficulties caused by the war and that it expected the workmen to resume work.

The leader of the workmen's deputation expressed the hope that work generally would be resumed. Dispatches from Budapest added that work was resumed everywhere on Monday.

## Bohemian Independence.

Basel, Jan. 24.—In the Austrian Chamber of Deputies, a Vienna dispatch says, Premier von Seydler was interrupted by German and Czech deputies respecting a resolution adopted at Prague demanding independence for the Bohemians. The Premier declared the resolution was unpatriotic.

"Such a policy is incompatible," he said. "We desire an honorable peace in the spirit of justice and conciliation, but we must remain united."

The strikes, Dr. von Seydler asserted, had not been of excessive character, but might have assumed a dangerous form. He added that the concessions which had been made had not been granted in consequence of a class struggle, but as a result of the Government's wish to preserve the interests of the state and of society.

FULL CONFIDENCE IN  
FIELD-MARSHAL HAIG

Parliamentary Secretary of War Office Replies to Attack on Leader

London, Jan. 24.—On a motion for adjournment in the House of Commons yesterday the matter of the attack on the General Staff in connection with the recent Cambrai reverse was brought up with a view to eliciting some reassuring statement from the Government and an expression of continued confidence in Field-Marshal Haig.

James I. Macpherson, Parliamentary Secretary to the War Office, replying to the criticism, after protesting against what he termed the cruel charges against a most distinguished general at a time when he had no opportunity for defending himself, declared that the Government had full confidence in the Field-Marshal.

Mr. Macpherson said he could not speak for the War Cabinet, but that he could speak for the War Office and the Army Council, and he asserted that from the time Field-Marshal Haig had taken command up to the present moment he never had lost the confidence of those bodies.

The Secretary admitted that there had been a breakdown at Cambrai, but he pointed out that the General Staff knew on November 28 an attack was intended for the 39th. He could not go beyond Chancellor Lord Law's previous statement on the subject of the inquiry held, said Mr. Macpherson, but he would repeat that the breakdown was not a failure of the General Staff.

The disposition of the troops, Mr. Macpherson added, was as good as possibly could have been, and the War Cabinet had come to the conclusion that nobody should be sacrificed for the reverse, which could not possibly have been avoided owing to the nature of the circumstances, which could not be overcome.

The Secretary said there had been a breakdown at this particular point of the line, but there was no salient there, inequality of forces existed at this point, despite the fact that the General Staff had taken all necessary precautions. It had been asked why reinforcements were lacking, but as a matter of fact they were ready behind the lines in most perfect disposition. Inquiry would show why they were there, and if they had not been there, he was not sure what the results would have been.

There was no intention to publish the result of the inquiry, said Mr. Macpherson. There had been no withdrawals from the front of any persons from the higher command. He thought the War Cabinet already had shown that when necessary it would withdraw officers generally, and if in the present case the Cabinet had been assured that the high command was to blame, he

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made bold to say that it would have changed the higher command.

Promotion System.

London, Jan. 24.—Earl Derby will take an early opportunity to make a statement on the subject of promotion in the army, in the course of which, it is said, he will correct the impression which certain morning newspapers here have endeavored to give by asserting that in deference to public opinion the authorities had decided to throw open promotion to the higher ranks to the officers of the new army.

The Evening Standard says there is no question of opening doors which have long been closed. As a matter of fact, there is already a considerable number of brigadiers from the new army.

Questions regarding Lord Northcliffe's action are down for hearing in the House of Commons, but as the general view is that as The Daily Mail's stunt met such an unfavorable reception, the campaign against Gen. Sir

William Robertson will not be gone on with, and that there will not be much disposition to interfere with Northcliffe's retreat.

Appointments.

London, Jan. 24.—James I. Macpherson, Parliamentary Secretary of the War Office, announced in the House yesterday that Lieut-General Sir Herbert Lawrence had been appointed Chief of the General Staff in France.

Col. E. W. Cox to be a brigadier-general on the General Staff of the Intelligence Department, and Gen. Travers Clarke, Quartermaster-General.

These changes, Mr. Macpherson added, had nothing to do with the report to the War Council in the recent operations at Cambrai.

GERMAN LAW ACTION  
AGAINST ROUMANIA

Amsterdam, Jan. 24.—The Berliner Tagblatt says an action for the recovery of 60,000,000 marks has been brought

against Roumania by a syndicate formed for the exportation of grain from Roumania to Germany and thence to neutral countries. An agreement is said to have been concluded before Roumania entered the war between the syndicate and Premier Bratianu, acting on behalf of the Roumanian Government, but shortly before Roumania entered the war the Premier declined to fulfill the contract. The claim was lodged in Berlin because the Roumanian Government had deposits there.

## AN ILLINOIS FIND.

Ottawa, Ill., Jan. 24.—Guy E. Walter of East Ottawa, is an independent man in these days of coal shortage. Some months ago he discovered a two-foot vein of high-grade coal beneath his house. Now he digs his coal and shovels it direct to the furnace regardless of snow-blocked railroads or heatless days.

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## REVOLUTION IN AUSTRIA?

A dispatch from New York reports an announcement at the Smolny Institute that a revolution already has begun in Austria and that the revolutionists have even reached the point of nominating a Cabinet of their own—presumably a Provisional Government. A similar report has come from Bern, Switzerland. There has been no confirmation of these reports up to this writing, and they probably are only another series of those vague rumors which pour upon the world from Russia and neutral countries in a veritable flood these times.

Nevertheless, it is apparent that a serious situation has arisen in the Dual Monarchy, notwithstanding the Vienna announcement of the settlement of the strike trouble, and a revolution may be looked for there before long if the Austrian Government is unable to negotiate peace. The drastic censorship imposed by Vienna and Berlin concerning affairs in Austria, culminating in the suspension of Vorwarts, has a special significance of its own. The Berlin Government's object in suppressing revelations of what is going on in Germany's ally is to prevent the current of Austrian discontent fanning the smoldering dissatisfaction of the German people. If Austria contracted Bolshevism from Russia, the epidemic very likely would spread to Germany through the south German states, which are more akin to Austria than to Prussia in their sympathies.

A revolution in Austria-Hungary, to be successful, would have to be supported by the army. It was the intervention of the military forces of Petrograd on the side of the people which ensured the downfall of the Romanoffs. While in Austria there is more efficient military organization and better control than there was in Russia, on the other hand there are so many elements in the armies of the Dual Monarchy hostile to the dynasty that their trustworthiness always has been open to suspicion. In Brusiloff's great drive in the summer of 1916 thousands of Czech and Austrian Slav soldiers surrendered without striking a blow. There is, besides, a bitter hatred of Prussia, among the Austrians which would lend additional fuel to a revolutionary blaze at this time. Apart from the intense desire of the Austrian people for peace the genius of the average Prussian officer for making himself disliked must have been a factor in straining the ties between the Central Empires.

If a revolution developed in Austria Germany would be separated from Bulgaria and Turkey, and those two allies would collapse. The corridor from Hamburg to Constantinople would be blocked. Germany would do her utmost to save the Hapsburg dynasty, not only for the safety of the Mitteleuropa project but because a revolution in Austria might spread to Germany. German intervention on behalf of the Hapsburgs, however, not only would be like pouring oil on fire, but would complicate her own delicate internal situation.

## TOO HARD ON THE LEGISLATURES

A contemporary says that much of the blame for the condition of municipal finances in Victoria rests with past Legislatures. This is too sweeping a statement. Past Legislatures have enough sins to answer for without being saddled with responsibility for Victoria's tax delinquency. Victoria is a self-governing community. Legislation affecting her affairs was adopted mainly in response to her importunities. It was not the Legislature which awarded the street-paving contract, and which undertook the Sooke Waterworks project at a cost of several millions when the Esquimalt Waterworks could have been acquired for less than a million. The Legislature had nothing to do with street widening schemes and the costly improvements carried out in the interest of real estate speculation. Indeed, if the Legislature had attempted to interfere with these works five or six years ago it would have been mobbed. What would our contemporary have said at that time if the Legislature had tried to put a stop to debt accumulation? In those days the Legislature was described as the embodiment of wisdom and sound statesmanship and the electors thought it was so flawless that they made it almost politically unanimous.

Victoria, as we pointed out the other day, is suffering from the inevitable reaction from a boom, complicated by the war, desperate financial expedients to stave off the reckoning and the

suspension of some of the primary functions of sound financial administration. These conditions are not peculiar to Victoria. Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary and many other Canadian cities have similar problems due to similar causes. Undoubtedly, there is room for statutory safeguards against a recurrence of these conditions, but it should not be forgotten that the undue abridgment of the municipality's powers of self-government might prove a serious handicap in the future. The judgment of the Legislature as to what is best for Victoria and Vancouver is not likely to be any better than that of those in control of the administrations of the two cities. The personnel of the Legislature in the average is not stronger than the personnel of the municipal councils throughout the Province.

## UNMASKED.

Germany has demanded that Russia give up Courland and the Baltic provinces or she will resume military operations on the East Front and occupy Revel within a week. Revel is a Russian naval base at the entrance to the Gulf of Finland, and is in direct railroad communication with Petrograd, which is about 250 miles distant.

This ultimatum from Germany was forewarned by The Lokal Anzeiger, the semi-official organ of the Berlin Government, a few days ago and shows beyond all doubt that the military party is now in complete control of German affairs. As it falls foul of the demands of the strikers in Austria, and the assurances of the Austrian and Hungarian Governments, it opens the door to sensational developments in the relations between Germany and her ally, provided the Bolshevik stand firmly on their refusal to accede to the enemy's terms.

The final rupture of the peace negotiations at Brest-Litovsk would punctuate the failure of Germany's last and most desperate peace drive. That drive was directed actually less at Russia than at the Western Allies through Russia. The dominant element in Germany never intended to abandon any Russian territory under the occupation of German troops. The intention always has been to gain compensation at Russia's expense for what was lost elsewhere—to keep Poland, Lithuania, Courland, Esthonia and the Riga Islands and obtain economic mastery of the great Muscovite domain.

Now the mask has been torn from the Prussian face whose brutal lineaments are again exposed to the world. The dupes in Germany and Austria now know why Germany, under her present leadership, cannot make a flat-footed announcement of her peace terms, and why they must continue their march to the shambles and inevitable catastrophe. Whether this more intimate acquaintance with the "Intolerable Thing" which dominates the policy of their country and has made it an outlaw will create trouble within Germany is for the future to tell, but it certainly will widen the breach between her and Austria-Hungary. It is Russia, not Germany, which holds the trump card. Of what advantage would be the occupation of Revel to Germany if it involved the detachment of Austria-Hungary from the Teutonic or let loose the flames of revolt in that empire?

Says The Christian Science Monitor: U. S. Grant, great-grandson of the famous Union General, recently served two little chevrons on his private's blouse when he was made a corporal in the 102nd Ammunition Train of the 26th Division, U. S. A., at Spartanburg, S. C. His grandfather was General Frederick Dent Grant, and his father another U. S. Grant, who served as an aide to Colonel Roosevelt in the Spanish-American War. Corporal Grant is a Harvard graduate, and was employed by a Wall Street house when the war started. He enlisted in the 7th New York, and was later transferred. At the moment of the announcement of his promotion he was driving an army truck. From all accounts, it does not appear that young Grant desires to benefit by "pull." It is very evident that he has not benefited by it so far.

Hefferich, former German Secretary of the Treasury, says that, anyway, Great Britain has lost her maritime supremacy through the loss of many of her ships and the enhanced shipbuilding programmes of the United States and Japan, while she no longer is the financial dictator of the world. But he forgets that Britain's maritime and financial supremacy were due to the genius of her people, not to the means they employed, and that this is something a great many wars have not destroyed. Moreover, Britain's mercantile marine is still larger than that of the rest of the world combined, while, according to Herr Ballin, who ought to know, Germany has practically disappeared.

The German military authorities have now discovered that Bolshevism is a malady to which autocratic states are peculiarly susceptible. But as they themselves distributed the germs in the first place by conniving at a revolution in Russia, and then ex-

posed their countries to infection by authorizing army fraternization, they have only themselves to blame if their own country succumbs to the disease. Autocracies which try to create revolutions in neighboring countries play with fire, for they could not have a more dangerous enemy than a revolutionary state alongside of them.

The action of the British Government in promptly standing behind its high military command and the General Staff in the face of the pelting chorus of the Northcliffe newspapers will be commented by the great mass of public opinion. It would be simply atrocious if a yellow journalist, absolutely devoid of military experience and unacquainted with the science of war, were to be permitted to dictate changes in military personnel. That would be Bolshevism with a vengeance. Somebody ought to sit on His Lordship good and hard.

Sir Lomer Gouin's speech in the debate in the Quebec Legislature on the Francoeur resolution was a sane, reasonable contribution, as might have been expected. Confederation, he said, was a good thing for Canada and the only practical means through which the needs of the Dominion could be met. Sir Lomer talks good sense, as time will show. Time will bridge the differences which have arisen between the two chief races of Canada, provided the firebrands on both sides are held in check.

President Wilson intimates that the United States will have twice as many men in France next summer as was originally contemplated. The thousands who are crossing the Atlantic may not be able to "swim or fly," to quote a Prussian Minister, but Germany will find them in line when the time comes.

## SCHOOL TRUSTEES ADOPT ESTIMATES

Interesting Discussion on Work of Domestic Science Department

The City School Board, at a meeting last evening, approved the estimates for 1918, except those for building and grounds requirements, and will finally pass them after a further meeting early next week. They have to be filed with the City Council by the end of the month.

The item for salaries is \$205,000, or an increase of about \$2,000 a month on corresponding figures of 1917. This amount had been recommended in the tentative estimate prepared by the outgoing Board last month, and on Trustee Deaville's suggestion it was retained. He pointed out that the salary adjustments had been made in the finance committee, and it would delay the passage of the estimates by two or three weeks to endeavor to educate the new trustees into every detail of the schedule.

Trustee Riddell was the only one voting against the resolution, on the ground that the Board had not dealt with the principle of a five per cent. increase all round, but only with adjustments.

Most of the other items of school maintenance carried with little comment. Trustee Perry remarking with regard to the fuel item that it might be desirable for the city authorities to unite in buying the coal at the mine and shipping it down themselves. He also referred to the power bill, which he pointed out was very high in comparison with other places.

Domestic Science. Trustee Perry said on joining the Board people had come to him and complained with regard to the domestic science classes, that the classes were teaching cookery unsuitable for working families. Mrs. Jenkins pointed out that on the contrary special attention was given to war cookery, that the department had been recognized by requests from the authorities to give special lessons to adults at the domestic science schools, and valuable results had accrued from the course.

Personal Inspection. Trustee Deaville pointed out that the work done in the schools could only be appreciated by a personal inspection, and he thought Mr. Perry's attitude would change when he knew the special course more intimately.

Chairman Jay observed that the Board was strictly under the control of the Department of Education so far as curriculum was concerned, and no departure from it had been made. The item for domestic science staff then passed without change.

## MEDICAL APPEAL BOARD IN MONTREAL DISTRICT

Montreal, Jan. 24.—Word was received last night by the military authorities that an Order-in-Council was passed by the Government at Ottawa yesterday appointing a final medical board of appeal for this city and military district and naming the following three local doctors as the members of the new board: Lieut.-Colonel D. McTaggart, Dr. C. E. Martin and Dr. E. St. Jacques. The board will be the last court of appeal in questions as to fitness on the part of appellants against military service where there is a conflict between the original classification by the medical boards and the testimony of private physicians.

## WILL NOT CHALLENGE VACCINATION ISSUE

Trustees Consider Matter Lies Entirely Within Control of Health Department

The vaccination question did not arouse any heated argument in the City School Board last evening, the trustees regarding the situation as one beyond their control, absolutely in the hands of the City Health Officer, as representing the Provincial Board of Health in the district.

Trustee Deaville asked, after Dr. Price's letter had been read, whether if none of the three certificates were produced by a child after February 1, had the teachers power to exclude the children?

Trustee Perry wanted to know how it was that there was so much variation between the practitioners in the city with regard to vaccination charges, as he was informed some doctors charged a dollar, others \$2.50 and others \$5.

Trustee Paul stated that it was doubtful whether the teachers had power to exclude, and he should like to discuss the matter with the Department of Education first.

Chairman Jay pointed out that the liability for allowing a child to attend without complying with the regulations must rest with the teachers, therefore he did not think the Board should interfere.

It was then stated that the school nurse had made a report that one thousand children had been vaccinated at some period.

Various correspondents on this subject it was resolved to reply that the Board had no jurisdiction.

The Trades and Labor Council sent a communication on the subject, stating that the Council did not think the present time was for the resort to non-trusts, particularly when the medical fraternity was divided in its opinion as to the usefulness of vaccination to ward off smallpox.

## BELGIAN PEOPLE MUST HAVE LIBERTY

(Continued from page 1.)

similar catastrophes impossible by the adoption of guarantees destined to assure the supremacy of right over force. Enemy's Aims Awaited.

"At the beginning of September the Royal Government informed His Holiness that it must reserve decision regarding its action on the propositions contained in the message until the powers at war with Belgium had clearly made known their war aims. It added that in any case Belgium would make no pronouncement on general peace conditions and the reorganization of international relations except in full accord with the powers guaranteeing its independence that have done honor to their obligations toward her and whose arms fight with hers for the cause of right.

"Nothing has modified the situation that existed at the moment the Royal Government made known that point of view to His Holiness. However, the Belgian Government seizes eagerly the occasion furnished it by His Holiness to repeat before the civilized world what it wrote nearly a year ago to President Wilson:

"Before the German ultimatum Belgium aspired only to live on good terms with all her neighbors. She practised with scrupulous loyalty toward each of them the duties imposed by this neutrality.

In Self-Defence. "How was she recompensed by Germany for the confidence she showed in her? If there is a country that has the right to say it took up arms to defend its existence, it assuredly is Belgium. She desires passionately that an end be brought to the unheard sufferings of her population, but she would have kept only a peace that would assure her at the same time equitable reparation and security and guarantees for the future.

"The integrity of Belgium, the territory of the Mother Country and colonies, political, economic and military independence without condition or restriction, reparation for damages suffered and guarantees against a renewal of the aggression of 1914—such remain the indispensable conditions of a just peace so far as concerns Belgium. Any settlement that would not recognize these conditions for the very foundations of justice, since it would forever more be established that in international domains the violation of right creates a claim for its author and may become a source of profit.

Assurances Lacking. "Since the Royal Government a year ago formulated its conditions it permits itself to recall that the German Reichstag voted a resolution called a peace resolution, that Chancellors and Ministers of Foreign Affairs have followed each other in the German Empire, and have published notes replying to the message of His Holiness, but never a word has been pronounced and never a line written clearly recognizing the indisputable rights of Belgium that His Holiness has not ceased to recognize and proclaim."

## CALL FOR AID FROM BRITISH SHIP HEARD ON ATLANTIC COAST

An Atlantic Port of the United States, Jan. 24.—A call for help from the British steamship Baykaran, badly damaged as the result of a storm, was received here by wireless to-day. The message said the vessel had lost all her boats and was in need of assistance. The position of the vessel was not reported.

## SAANICH CHILDREN WILL BE EXCLUDED

Fifty-Five From Municipality Attend at Quadra School; Fourteen at Burnside

The Saanich School Board is to be notified by the City School Board to remove its children, fifty-five in number, from Quadra Street School. It was also reported to the City Board last evening by the principal of Burnside School that fourteen children from across the boundary are attending that school.

The situation with regard to the Quadra School arises from the increasing lack of school accommodation across the boundary, the Saanich trustees desiring to build a four-room school at Cloverdale on the site already secured. That situation led Mrs. Jenkins to remark that the trustees should do as the City Board did, and establish temporary quarters to house the children, then carry out permanent building as opportunity offered.

It was suggested that the Board should agree to continue to receive the children for a short time, pending some other arrangements by the Saanich Board.

Miscellaneous Matters. An exceedingly satisfactory report with regard to school gardens at George Jay School was received from Principal Charlesworth. It was shown that a number of adults have been stimulated to cultivate their vacant lands by seeing the school boys at work alongside.

On Trustee Deaville's suggestion it was agreed to circulate the principals, asking for more attention to be given to school gardens, and to have an adequate report presented at the end of the year.

From the Director of Elementary Education it was reported that the grant of \$7384 had been credited to the Board for school garden work in 1917. It was reported that a new commercial teacher is required at the High School to act as assistant, and an advertisement to that effect will be inserted.

A suggestion from Principal Smith to have the High School library made into a receiving depot for City Library books will also receive consideration. The Board considered the matter of the salaries of "receiving" teachers, on which Inspector Paul will make further investigation and report at a subsequent meeting.

Mrs. Mary H. Rathorn, on behalf of Fernwood Red Cross Society, asked for the use of the High School auditorium on Tuesday, February 21, for the play, "In Red Cross Circles," to be presented by Fernwood juveniles, who are being trained by Mrs. L. I. Davis. Proceeds will go to the Red Cross Funds. Permission was granted.

A request from a teacher of a private music class for the use of North Ward School auditorium for giving a concert in aid of the Halifax Relief Fund was granted by the Board.

Miss Isabel Davidson, of London, Ont., wrote accepting the appointment of domestic science teacher and will report for duty March 1.

## RE-ELECTED CHAIRMAN

Trustee George Jay is at Head of City School Board for Another Term.

The City School Board, in organizing last evening for another term, chose Trustee George Jay as chairman of the board again, on Trustee Deaville's motion. Trustee Riddell had proposed Mrs. Jenkins, but the latter lady declined and the nomination was then made unanimous.

In thanking the board, Mr. Jay pointed out that the procedure by-law prevented him naming the committees till the meeting following the inaugural gathering. Therefore as the estimates must be proceeded with, and he understood there would have to be some change in the vote for repairs and grounds, he recommended that the two old members of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, Messrs. Deaville and Riddell, should be a committee to bring in a report to the adjourned meeting, a course which was followed.

## SEEKS CITY'S AID

Victoria Council is Asked to Join Protest of Canadian Union.

The Victoria City Council has been asked by the Canadian Union of Municipalities to join in the agitation which has been conducted for some time by the body for the Federal Government to use the machinery of the local municipal governments for the purpose of helping the organization of the country for war purposes, as has been done extensively in Great Britain.

The Union points out that the recent Order-in-Council with regard to the authority for the issuance of municipal debentures was taken without reference to the chosen lenders of municipal administration in the country, and that they had been consulted, the order would have been drawn up differently. Resolutions with regard to the attitude of municipalities on this issue are requested to be passed by the Council.

Wales is the richest part of the kingdom in mineral wealth. England produces annually about £2 to each acre; Scotland a little less; but the product of Wales is over £4 per acre.

## LETTER BOX

CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND.

To the Editor.—The statement reported in The Times of January 23 to have been made by Mr. Hannington, City Solicitor, Victoria, regarding payment by the New Westminster branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund of taxes and mortgage charges, over and above the usual monthly allowances, is incorrect, misleading, and may be very harmful.

Mr. Hannington states that, after he had first reported to the Council the statement which he says was made by Mayor Gray, of New Westminster, I had telephoned the Mayor, expressing regret that publicity had been given to his remarks, as it would lead to calls upon the fund we desired to avoid.

This statement is not in accordance with the facts. I did telephone Mayor Gray and ask him if he had made the statement as published. His reply was that it was not as stated, and that Mr. Hannington had evidently misunderstood him. I replied that it was too bad that things were so misrepresented, because it would lead people at our various branches throughout the province (which number more than one hundred and fifty) to think that they were not all being treated alike. Mr. Hannington's statement regarding my interview with the Mayor infers that the fund had some special resources kept in reserve, of which other branches and the public were not aware, which certainly is not the case. The same schedule applies to all points in British Columbia. All moneys collected at every point in this province, with the exception of the city of Vancouver (which office reports direct to Ottawa), are remitted each month to the local treasurer, Mr. W. J. Goepel, Deputy Minister of Finance, who in turn deposits them in the Canadian Bank of Commerce to the credit of Sir Thomas White, honorary treasurer of the National Fund. Each month the larger offices requisition on this branch for their requirements, and dependents at smaller points are paid by cheque issued from this office. Those points where cheques are issued by the local committees make monthly certified disbursements, made together with vouchers from all dependents. These returns are in duplicate and are checked here, when one copy is sent to the head office at Ottawa for the purpose of further audit. These reports are open for inspection and will show quite clearly that the same schedule and the same plan of administration applies to New Westminster as to all other points in this province.

In explanation of the method of administration, I may illustrate as follows: The basis for a wife with family in British Columbia is ..... \$37.50 One child, between 10 and 15 years ..... 7.50 One child, between 5 and 10 years ..... 4.50 One child, under 5 years ..... 3.00

Total ..... \$52.50 Deduct from this separation allowance ..... 20.00 Balance ..... \$32.50

making \$32.50 to which a family would be entitled, unless there are other sources of income, which would be deducted from this amount. Should the family be residing in their own home, say, \$30 per annum, interest on mortgage \$20 and fire insurance \$10—a total of \$60 per annum or \$5 per month—in such cases \$5 would be deducted from the \$32.50 estimated for rent, and the difference deducted from the \$32.50 shown above, thus leaving a net grant of \$27.50 per month, no consideration whatever being given to the payment of principal of mortgage. In addition to the Government separation allowance and any grant from this fund, the family of every soldier also receives at least \$15 per month assigned pay from the soldier.

The statement that the local management of the Fund at New Westminster pay the taxes into the city coffers, irrespective of the usual monthly allowance, is incorrect, which the disbursement returns clearly confirm. The Patriotic Fund is not expected to be a collecting agency. It is true that we do endeavor, when necessary, to urge dependents to make payment of their rent and other obligations.

The Fund is, in no sense, a charity. Contributions are given to pay, in part, for valuable and hazardous services rendered. It would appear to be unfair to the undue pressure upon the dependents of soldiers to make payment of taxes, because they receive grants from the Patriotic Fund, unless the same pressure were used in connection with others whose avocations are more remunerative, more comfortable and certainly safer than that of our gallant soldiers.

The Patriotic Fund, like all other organizations, is properly open to criticism. However, criticism levelled at a Fund of this kind should be carefully considered, and it is only fair to ask those who are disposed to criticize that, before doing so, they should call at this office and investigate any matter in which they have an interest or a grievance. We have nothing to conceal, and I should be very glad to see Mr. Hannington or anyone else who is interested in the welfare of the Fund and in the prosecution of the war.

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D. NATION, Secretary, Provincial Branch.

Contributions are given to pay, in part, for valuable and hazardous services rendered. It would appear to be unfair to the undue pressure upon the dependents of soldiers to make payment of taxes, because they receive grants from the Patriotic Fund, unless the same pressure were used in connection with others whose avocations are more remunerative, more comfortable and certainly safer than that of our gallant soldiers.

THE TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, January 24, 1893.

Efforts are still being made to remove the old powder magazine from Beacon Hill Park. In spite of the Government's promise, it is still there. A number of the sailing schooners have got away in the last twenty-four hours with white crews. Most of them will go to the Japanese side. Members of the City band are taking up a subscription to buy uniforms and instruments for the approaching season.



## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Matter of the Estate of Laura Mary Seymour, Deceased, and in the Matter of the Administration Act.

Notice is hereby given that under an order granted by the Honorable Mr. Justice Gregory, dated 16th day of January, A. D. 1918, I, the undersigned, was appointed Administrator of the estate of the above deceased. All parties having claims against the said estate are requested to forward particulars of same to me on or before the 31st day of February, A. D. 1918, and all parties indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to me on or before the 31st day of January, 1918.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 24th day of January, 1918.

WILLIAM MONTEITH, Official Administrator.

## NOTICE OF TENDERS.

The Imperial Munitions Board, Wooden Shipbuilding Department, beg to give notice that they are calling for tenders, to be closed by January 31, 1918, for the work of installation and supplying the necessary fittings for the following: Arrangement of Steam and Exhaust Pipes to Winches and Steering Engine. Sanitary and Waste Deck Service. Steam Heating Arrangement. Pumping Plan, including modified plan to suit shaped tanks. Tenders may be obtained on application at the Board's Office.

BYLAND BUILDING, Victoria, B. C. YORKSHIRE BUILDING, Vancouver, B. C. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Tenders can submit prices for the work separate from the material, if desired. Dated at Victoria, B. C., January 21, 1918.

## PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Matter of the Winding-Up Act and in the Matter of Finchs, Limited.

Notice is hereby given that by order of the Honorable Mr. Justice Gregory, dated the 14th day of January, 1918, a meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held on Monday, the 25th day of February, 1918, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of H. E. A. Courtney, 223-225 Pemberton Building, Port Street, Victoria, B. C., for the purpose of nominating the Official Liquidator of the said Company. And notice is further given that by the same authority, a meeting of the Shareholders of the said Company will be held on the said 25th day of February, 1918, at the hour of 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at the same place for the same purpose.

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H. E. A. COURTNEY, Solicitor for the Provisional Liquidator, 223-225 Pemberton Building, Victoria, B. C.

## LAND REGISTRY ACT.

## Notice Under Section 38.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Dennis Reginald Harris as the owner in Fee-simple, under a Tax Sale Deed issued by the Collector of the District of Saanich, to Dennis Reginald Harris, bearing date the 15th day of November, A. D. 1917, in pursuance of a Tax Sale held by said Collector on or about the 13th day of August, 1915, of all and singular certain parcel or tract of land and premises situated, lying, and being in the District of Saanich, more particularly known and described as Lots Five (5), Twenty-two (22), and Twenty-three (23), of part of Section Thirty-two (32), Map 118. You and all persons claiming any interest in the said land by descent whose title is not registered under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act" are required to contest the claim of the said purchaser of the said land, by giving notice of this notice upon you. Otherwise you and each of you will be forever estopped and barred from asserting any claim to or in respect of the said land, and I shall register the said Dennis Reginald Harris as owner in fee.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, in the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 28th day of November, A. D. 1917.

J. C. GWYN, Registrar-General. To Registrar Christopher Thorburn, second mortgage.

I direct service of this notice to be made by depositing it in the Victoria Daily Times twelve consecutive issues.

J. C. GWYN, Registrar-General.

Education About Hags.—G. S. Harris and H. C. Helgeson have already commenced their duties in connection with the Provincial Hog Campaign. The former is covering the Lower Mainland and Mr. Helgeson, Vancouver Island.



DAVID SPENCER, LIMITED



## Final Reductions on the Balance of Winter Stock for a Quick Clearance Previous to Stocktaking

We are preparing our stocks for the half-yearly inventory—many small lots must be cleared before the end of this month. Hence, we have made further price reductions to create quick selling and an immediate clean-up.

The entire balance of Women's Suits and Coats, also small lots of Cloth and Silk Dresses repriced ready for sale Friday—the great bargain day at this store.

### 20 High-Grade Suits to Clean-up at \$34.75

These models were originally selling up to \$65.00. Some were formerly reduced for the January Sale to \$49.75. Only twenty suits remain, so we clean up the lot at a further price reduction—\$34.75. Each suit is a high-grade quality—some of the season's best styles and materials. It's easy to recognize them as great bargains.

### 18 Smart Suits to Clean-up at \$25.00

Good serviceable models, originally priced from \$40.00 to \$45.00. Some of them were repriced for January Sale to \$27.50. We now clean up the balance of stock—eighteen models—at the low price of \$25. Mostly in gabardines, poplins, serges and velours.

### 15 Winter Coats to Clean-up at \$7.75

Nice warm quality Coats of heavy chin-chilla in grey shade. Style features big convertible collar, belt and pockets. A good coat for general use. But you will have to shop early to secure one at this price.

### Many Smart Coats Grouped to Clear at \$14.75

Splendid Coats of hard-wearing tweeds, smartly tailored in the season's most approved styles. Most of the models were former \$22.50 values—a few, worth more. We clean up the lot at a low price, \$14.75

### 19 Velour Coats to Clean-up at \$24.75

Beautiful quality Coats in plain shade velours, including burgundy, African brown, navy and black. Also khaki shade in the Trench model; \$35.00 and \$40.00 former values in this lot. Superior models and worth while bargains at the reduced figure.

—Mantles, First Floor

### Big Clean-up of Women's Wool and Jersey Cloth Tams Caps and Scarves, Friday 25c Each

A rare chance to buy a good Cap at a Bargain Price. Included are Brushed Wool Tams, in navy, cardinal and white; Fibre Silk Caps, in two-tone effects, women's and children's sizes; Jersey Cloth Caps and Scarves, in rose with white trimmings; also maize with navy. Your choice at, each.....25c

In Waist Dept., First Floor

### Beautiful Waists, Worth to \$6.75, Clearing Friday at \$3.50

Of Silk Crepe de Chine, Georgette Crepes, and all-over Laces. Dainty styles and the shades are rose, flesh, navy, white and black. Bargains that will require early shopping to secure.

—Waists, First Floor

### A Clean-up of Men's Hats, Friday at 50c

Soft Cloth Hats, in sizes 6 3/4, 6 7/8, 7 1/8, 7 1/4 and 7 1/2 only; Stiff Hats, in sizes 7 1/4 and 7 3/4 only. Values worth up to \$3.50. Rebuilding Clean-up, each.....50c

Men's Caps, values to \$1.00. Rebuilding Clean-up, at 25c

—Men's Clothing, Main Floor



## A Big Final Clean-up of Our Men's and Women's Footwear Friday



To effect a quick clean-up of all surplus lots and sizes in our Men's and Women's Shoe Department, we have made some extraordinary price reductions. These goods must be cleared before inventory day, hence we take this means of disposing of same. The Bargains represented are extraordinary, to say the least, and will be thoroughly appreciated.

### Women's Novelty Boots Clear at a Pair.....\$3.95

This lot includes Black Kid, Patent Leather and Calf, in button and lace styles. Values to \$7.50, but broken sizes only. Also about 50 pairs of Plain White and Colored Kid Boots, mostly in the larger sizes. Extraordinary Bargains, these and for which it will be necessary to be here early.

### Women's Street Pumps To Clear at a Pair.....\$2.95

In Black Kid, Patent and Calf leathers; broken sizes only, but good bargains.

### Women's Satin Evening Slippers To Clear at a Pair.....\$2.45

Various surplus lots in black and colors; broken sizes. Very smart models and splendid bargains.

### Women's Button Boots to Clear, a Pair.....\$2.45

Small sizes only, mostly 2 1/2 and 3; in Kid and Gunmetal, button style. Very serviceable quality, suitable for street or business wear.

### Hockey Boots Clearing at Per Pair.....\$1.95

These Boots make splendid Play Shoes for Boys and Girls, especially for Spring and Summer wear. Originally they sold at \$3.50. We clean up this lot at a shade within half-price.

### Men's Boots Clearing at Per Pair.....\$3.95

A range of Men's lighter weight Boots priced very low. A good all leather boot for wear with rubbers in wet weather, and an ideal boot for Spring and Summer.

### Men's \$6.00 Boots to Sell at a Pair.....\$4.85

Every pair from regular stock and thoroughly recommended for service. Included are Good-year Welted Calfskin Boots, Blucher and Balmoral styles; Box Calf and Gunmetal Blucher and Balmoral Lace Boots, with stout oak tanned leather soles.

### Men's \$7.00 Boots to Clear at a Pair.....\$5.85

Smart, up-to-date footwear, and all serviceable quality goods. Represented are Gunmetal Calf Lace Boots, with white fibre soles and rubber heels; Winter Calf Blucher Boots, with vulcanized soles; Glazed Kid and Calfskin Lace Boots; also Water-proof Brown Calf Bluchers, a fine work boot.

—Selling Main Floor

Hundreds of pairs of Men's Separate Cloth Pants have been sold during this Rebuilding Sale. For to-morrow we have grouped about 250 pairs into the above two prices for an immediate clearance. The pants in this sale are of strong, durable quality tweeds and worsteds; also tweed mixtures; good stripe and check effect designs, suitable for street, business and work. All sizes and a good assortment.

Regular values to \$3.75, to go at, a pair.....\$2.50  
Regular values to \$5.75, to go at, a pair.....\$3.75

—Men's Clothing, Main Floor

### Friday Bargains in Men's Shirts

Men's Twill Khaki Working Shirts, finished with turn-down collar and band cuffs. Sizes 15 to 17. Clean-up sale, each.....75c  
Heavier Weight Shirt and better grade, same style. Clean-up, each.....\$1.00  
Heavy Tweed Working Shirts, finished with collar and pocket, band cuffs; in colors blue and brown mixtures; all sizes. Reg. \$2.00. Clean-up sale, each.....\$1.50  
Men's Light Tweed Work Shirts, finished with collar, pocket and band cuffs. Sizes 15, 15 1/2 and 17 only. Reg. \$1.65 value. Clean-up price, each.....\$1.35  
Men's Heavy Grey and Grey Stripe Flannelette Working Shirts, finished with collar and pockets; broken sizes only. Reg. \$1.50 value. Clean-up price.....\$1.00

—Shirts, Main Floor

### Week-End Candy Specials

Peppermint Bull's Eyes, reg. 40c, for.....23c  
Plain Butterscotch, reg. 30c, for.....25c  
Almond Butterscotch, reg. 40c, for.....29c  
Toasted Marshmallows, reg. 40c, for.....29c  
Tutti-Frutti, reg. 40c, for.....29c  
Turkish Delight, reg. 40c, for.....29c  
Kewpie Dolls, a pkt.....10c

—Candy, Main Floor

### Values to \$4.75 in Children's Coats, Clearing Friday at \$2.50

About 14 Coats in the lot, so early shopping is advisable. There are models of good quality cream cashmere, with large collars, some with belts; also useful styles in Corduroy Velvet, Beardsloth, Lustre and Serge; a few slightly soiled; worth regularly to \$4.75. We clean up the lot at.....\$2.50

—Children's, First Floor

### Children's Wash Dresses 95c and \$1.45

A lot of good, serviceable Dresses we have grouped into two prices for a quick disposal before stock-taking day. Your girls will need dresses like these in a few weeks' time, so why not provide them now and save.

—The Group at 95c contains Colored Gingham, in blue and white checks, made in various styles, suitable for girls 2 to 6 years.

—The group at \$1.45 contains Colored Gingham Dresses of a heavier grade; good assortment of styles in high waisted and middie effects. Sizes 2 to 6 years.

—Children's, First Floor

### Women's Nightgowns Special at \$1.25

A good range of Women's Nightgowns specially priced for the White Sale Friday. Brief details are—

Nightgowns of strong white cotton, high neck and long sleeves, yoke and sleeves trimmed with embroidery. Each.....\$1.25  
Nightgowns of fine nainsook, yoke and sleeves daintily trimmed with lace. Each.....\$1.25  
Nightgowns of strong white cotton, round yoke of embroidery, sleeves trimmed to match. Each.....\$1.25  
Nightgowns of good quality white crepe, yoke of imitation crochet and embroidery. Others trimmed imitation torchon lace. Extra good value at.....\$1.25

—Whitewear, First Floor

### Foxes Spiral Puttees

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—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

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Reception Hard Wheat Bread Flour, 49-lb. sack. .... **\$2.90**  
Robin Hood Rolled Oats, large drums. .... **25c**  
Aylmer Pure Strawberry Jam, 4-lb. tins. .... **85c**  
B. C. Granulated Sugar, 20 lbs. .... **\$2.08**  
Kellogg's Corn Flakes, pkt. .... **10c**  
Shredded Wheat, 2 pkts. .... **25c**

**SPECIAL**  
Reception Linen Writing Tablets Reg. 25c, for .... **17c**

Dr. Cassell's Tablets, reg. 50c pkts. for. .... **35c**  
Horlick's Malted Milk Lunch Tablets, reg. 25c, for. .... **21c**  
Chase's Ointment, reg. 60c, for. .... **44c**

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McClary's Nickel Tea Kettles, reg. \$3.75, for. .... **\$2.90**  
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## VARIED FEATURES

### AT PANTAGES SHOW

Cortez Trio Get Big Reception;  
Harry Langdon Back; Sensational Circus Stunt

The Cortez Trio are riding on the crest of popularity this week at the Pantages. It is a delightful musical act with two violinists and a harpist as the performers, and they acquit themselves in a manner that calls for popular approval.

The younger Cortez is a clever and promising violinist. His rendition of Suppe's "Light Cavalry March" is exquisitely done, and his efforts are truly appreciated by the audience. Miss Cortez is also a finished violinist, and her numbers are well received. The senior Cortez plays the harp and manipulates this instrument in masterly fashion. The work of this trio is most pleasing and acceptable. First nighters were eager for more than the prescribed programme, and as the call was insistent they got full measure.

The last number of the Cortez three would indicate that wind instruments are not absolutely essential to produce the familiar skill of the bagpipers. The responsibility for the bulk of the comedy stuff falls upon the shoulders of Harry Langdon. Assisted by Ross and James, of the same surname, Harry shows off his new automobile, a remarkable piece of mechanism, the eccentricities of which, combined with the droll remarks of the unruffled owner, is calculated to keep everybody in an uproarious mood.

All the automobile jokes worth while are put over, and the car plays a few too. Harry is balked at every turn. Sometimes the cylinders are hired through space through the engine cover, then a business-like spurt of flame discloses a leak in the gas tank, and even the steering wheel has flighty notions.

Disgusted with everything the owner proceeds to kick the spokes out of the wheels, but some adjustment follows and the car speeds off. The tail-light rapidly disappearing along the boulevard is distinctly novel.

Dixie Harris, a diminutive comedienne, appearing with the Variety Four, makes a good feature. These five artists are capable of producing a lot of good harmony, the singing of all, both in solo and chorus, being effective. Miss Harris has a nice voice and a winning stage manner, and her presence adds considerable punch to the act.

Fred Jarvis and Frederica Harrison put on a talking and singing act, which is amusing. It is just mere nonsense, but entertaining just the same.

Miss Harrison wears a stunning riding habit, and the partner unloads a good line of patter.

The final curtain rings down on a sensational back-bend act by Miss Ross Rosalind, programmed as "The Topmost Star of the Equestrian Arena." Her most remarkable feat is the turning of a backward somersault from one galloping horse to another.

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## MARGUERITE CLARK

### IN BAB'S BURGLAR

Famous Actress is Star in Play  
by Mary Roberts Rhinehart

Many famous authors, including Booth Tarkington, Owen Johnson, Carolyn Wells and others are now writing scenarios. Mary Roberts Rhinehart has now joined the ranks. Her first contribution is the adaptation of "Bab's Burglar," which appeared recently in The Saturday Evening Post, and of which Marguerite Clark is the star, and which is the attraction at the Royal Victoria again to-day. In this picture she leaves little to be desired and in fact it has been remarked that it is one of the best pictures that she has appeared in.

On the same programme is also shown Roscoe Arbuckle in a very amusing comedy, "Fatty in Coney Island." This picture is a sure cure for blues and would make a welcome addition at any time.

## Social Personal

Mrs. J. B. Reuter, 1894 North Hampshire Road, has as her guest Mrs. J. B. Jackson, of Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. William Allison, of this city, spent the past week at New Westminster, where they were visiting friends.

H. G. Farson, of Golden, a former member of the Provincial Legislature is spending a few days in the city as a guest at the Empress Hotel.

Chas. F. Earle, G. T. P. ticket agent, accompanied by Mrs. Earle, has returned to the city after visiting relatives at Picton, Ont., and other points in the East.

Mr. Mayor Evans, of Brandon, Man., accompanied by Mrs. Evans and daughter, have been spending the past week in the city and will shortly leave for Honolulu, where they will stay for the remainder of the winter.

Harry Walton, of Nanaimo, until recently secretary-treasurer of the Western Pastime Club, of that city, arrived in Victoria on Tuesday to take up his new duties as a member of the clerical staff at the Westholme Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ingham and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Alexander, of Nkomis, Sask., have been spending a few days in Victoria en route to Long Beach, California, where they will spend the remainder of the winter months.

The many friends of the Hon. J. H. Turner, Acting Agent-General for British Columbia, will regret to hear that he is lying ill at his home in London, Eng., with a severe chill. His condition is causing some anxiety, on account of his advanced age.

The Red Cross dance under the auspices of the Elks Club promises to be a very popular social event. It is being held at the Alexandra Club this evening, and it is understood that a large number of tickets have been sold.

Out-of-town visitors to the city include Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Roe, of Nelson, who are shortly sailing for Australia, where Mr. Roe will resume the practice of law. He is a member of the Bar of British Columbia, Ireland and Australia, and for the past eight years has held the position of district land registrar at Nelson, B.C.

The members of "J" Unit Chapter, I. O. O. F., are arranging a dance to be held in the Alexandra Club ballroom on Thursday, February 7, in aid of the chapter funds. Oza's orchestra has been engaged, and if the success which attended the New Year dance arranged by this chapter be any criterion, a most enjoyable evening is assured to all who attend.

All details have been completed for the dance and bridge party under the auspices of the Willows Camp Chapter, I. O. O. F., that will be held in the Empress Hotel this evening. An attractive programme has been prepared by the Empress orchestra, and a large number of card tables have already been arranged for. Both dancing and cards will be indulged in during the entire evening.

Mrs. R. T. Freeman entertained a number of friends at her residence, 172 Robertson Street, yesterday afternoon, at an informal tea in aid of the Hollywood Branch of the Red Cross. About twenty guests were present. These were arranged for Five Hundred, and Mrs. Ingles secured the prize, a dainty handkerchief. At the conclusion of the card games, tea was served, during which Mrs. Wm. Grant delighted the visitors with a number of vocal solos. Mrs. Dale, Mrs. E. F. Cooke, Mrs. Bayliss and Miss Clark assisted the hostess in entertaining her guests.

A most successful "Card Shower" was held yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. (Dr.) R. L. Fraser, corner of Rockland Avenue and St. Charles Street. The affair was organized by the Margaret Rocke Robertson Chapter, I. O. O. F., and Mrs. Duncan Ross, the Regent, received the guests, assisted by the members of the chapter. Tea was served, and during the afternoon several vocal selections were rendered by Mrs. Harry Briggs and Mrs. Duncan Campbell. About 175 people of cards were contributed, and will be sent to the military hospitals at Resthaven and Qualicum.

Miss Ruth Marguerite Cummins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Cummins, of 300 Fort Street, and formerly of Davidson, Sask., was married on Tuesday evening to Roy Samuel Victor Smythe, formerly of Davidson, Sask., where he was on the staff of the Royal Bank. The marriage took place at the home of the groom's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Trew, 1327 Clover Avenue, and only immediate relatives of the young people witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. H. S. Osborne. There were no attendants. After the wedding breakfast Mr. and Mrs. Smythe left on the midnight boat for the mainland, en route to Winnipeg, where the groom is scheduled to report on Saturday for service in the Royal Flying Corps. His bride accompanied him on his journey as far as Edmonton and in March will join him in Toronto for a few weeks' visit previous to his departure for overseas.

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## WELCOME GRAND MASTER

Columbia Lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F., Held Interesting Meeting Last Evening.

Columbia Lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F., and Colfax Rebekah Lodge No. 1, held a joint meeting last night to welcome Brother J. H. Glass, of Penitence, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of B. C., who is making his official visit to the city lodges.

After a short programme of instrumental and vocal music, addresses were given by the Grand Master, Bros. Fred Davey, Grand Sec., A. W. Baylis, D.D.G.M.; W. A. Johnston, P.G.M., G.R. of Vancouver; F. W. Dempster, P.O.M., and W. H. Cullen, P.G.M.

On behalf of Colfax Rebekah Lodge Sisters McCann, Pilgrim, Fomeri and Carne expressed their pleasure in meeting Brother Glass.

The Grand Master expressed pleasure at presenting Brother Alex. Lindsay with a veteran's jewel on behalf of Union Lodge No. 11, Cumberland.

Councillor A. Henderson, P.G.M., presided in his usual capable manner. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

## VARIETY SHOW

Many Well-Known Artists to Appear at Equimall To-morrow in Aid of Red Cross.

To-morrow night at the Rex Theatre, Equimall, a number of well-known local artists will present a grand vaudeville show in aid of the funds of the Equimall Red Cross.

Mrs. Douglas Macdonald is the convener in charge of the affair and has arranged a programme which promises a most enjoyable evening's entertainment.

The biggest feature of the programme will be the series of songs, dances and recitations to be given by a Pierrot troupe. The Misses Denise Harris, Kathleen Hudson, D. Finlayson and Ora Pearson will be the principals in this act, supported by a chorus of six, including Mrs. Macdonald and the Misses Matson, Briggman, Fraser, Nelson and Burns.

Other artists assisting in the programme are: Mrs. D. B. McCann and Miss Holden, who will sing a number of catchy songs. A feature of much interest will be a series of comic songs by four returned soldiers from the Convalescent Hospital at Esquimalt.

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**DOMINION**  
TO-DAY  
GEO. WALSH  
in  
"Some Boy"  
A Picture of Thrills and Smiles.  
Rumor Contradicted.—In contradiction of a rumor that a large batch of Canadian Mail had been sunk recently,

**Variety Theatre**  
TO-DAY  
NORMA TALMADGE  
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**Victoria Evangelistic Movement**  
To-day's Special Meeting Cancelled  
Owing to ill health, Mrs. Neth will not hold the meetings announced for to-day at 3:30 and 8 o'clock, 716 Courtney Street Hall.  
Business Girls' Meeting will be held as usual at 8 o'clock to-night.

## SOME BOY IS STORY WITH PLENTY OF ZIP

Love and a Stolen Necklace Form Theme Attractive to Photoplay Fans

The George Walsh smile and the George Walsh personality once more combine with a corking story to make "Some Boy!" an assured success. "Some Boy!" is George's newest William Fox photoplay. It starts with George in college. Because he disobeys his father's injunctions in regard to playing baseball, Joyous is expelled; whereupon he finds employment as publicity agent for the Coronado Hotel in Southern California. On the way he meets Marjorie Milbank, an athletic young business woman who has been carrying on negotiations with Joyous's father regarding the sale of a Texas ranch which she owns.

Marjorie puts up at the Coronado. In an effort to grab some newspaper space Joyous steals her diamond necklace. The girl, intensely frightened, notifies the house detective and Joyous, Joyous, sends a story to the local newspapers.

Having grabbed the space he wanted and having been notified by the manager that his story will certainly ruin the hotel, Joyous decides to return the diamonds immediately. He assumes the disguise of a mysterious widow and would be successful in replacing the gems if the house detective were not so close on his heels.

While he is still doing his best to ease his conscience Marjorie leaves the hotel. Joyous hears that she has gone, and in a final attempt to replace the necklace rushes after her and catches the ship on which she is sailing just as it is pulling away from the dock. Aboard, Joyous returns the necklace and tells Marjorie he had taken it. She then hires him as manager of her Texas estate.

They arrive at the ranch just in time. Joyous's father and his fellow conspirators are trying to wrest it away from the girl. In their efforts they even go so far as to kidnap Marjorie, but Joyous's dauntless courage and smiling face finally win the ranch for the girl and the girl for Joyous.

## NORMA TALMADGE IN DRAMATIC ROLE

"The Secret of the Storm Country" is Story of Village Life

Mother love is the theme employed in "The Secret of the Storm Country," in which Norma Talmadge is appearing at the Variety Theatre to-night. Wednesday and Thursday. Miss Talmadge plays the role of a little squatter girl, to whom love and marriage come in secret ways, and her interpretation of the character is a fine bit of emotional work.

Tessibel Skinner, daughter of Orin Skinner who is serving a life sentence in the penitentiary, is the adored favorite of the squatter settlement on the shores of Lake Cayuga. She listens to their woes, fights their battles and binds up their wounds. Her cup of happiness is overfilled by the devotion of Frederick Graves, a young divinity student, who has persuaded the girl to marry him secretly. Graves is the son of a worldly, ambitious mother who has well laid plans for the future greatness of her offspring.

For a time Tess lives in a radiant paradise of her own. Her father, through the good offices of Lawyer Young, the village friend and councillor, is pardoned and returns home. Tess welcomes him joyously. Her happiness is short-lived, however, for Frederick on the occasion of their next meeting breaks the news that his mother has ordered him to wed Madeline Walderstricker, whose brother Ebenezer Walderstricker, besides being the wealthiest man in the community is the squatters' arch enemy. Tess, too broken to fight for her rights, consents to keep her secret and allow the other marriage to take place.

He and his pseudo-wife, immediately after the wedding, leave on an extended tour. A short time later Orin Skinner dies, leaving Tess without a protector in her hour of need. Her condition becomes known to the villagers, who at the instigation of Ebenezer Walderstricker, call her to task before the church council and attempt to force her into marriage with the village ne'er-do-well, Sandy Letts. From there on the action moves rapidly to a thrilling climax. Tess weathers the storm of heartbreak and sorrow, holds fast to her ideal of motherhood, and fights her way back to level ground.

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## SECOND WAR STEAMER WAS SENT AFLOAT HERE TO-DAY

**War Yukon Was Beautifully Checked As She Glided  
Down Ways at Point Ellice Shipyard; Successful  
Launch Tribute to Builder's Skill**

Unmarred by the slightest semblance of a hitch the launching of the steamship War Yukon at Point Ellice this forenoon was a huge success. The shrieking of whistles from craft in the harbor and industrial plants in the immediate vicinity of the Cameron-Genoa shipyard, heralded the start of the War Yukon down the greased ways toward her native element. The din was tremendous and tended to send the impression broadcast that a great victory had been achieved over the enemy with the result that the newspaper offices were besieged with telephone calls by anxious inquirers as to the nature of the news from the war zone.

The launching of the War Yukon was a victory nevertheless. It was a victory for the builders, and the resounding shrieks of sirens and cheers of the assembled crowd greeted the new steamer which is destined to be a cog in the machine which will eventually batter down the resistance of the enemy.

The launching of the War Yukon was characteristic of other launchings carried out under the supervision of J. H. Price, president of the Cameron Genoa Mills Shipbuilders, Ltd. At 10.30 o'clock an electric button pressed by Mr. Price on the launching platform gave the signal to the men manning the releasing trigger amidships and with an almost imperceptible start at first the towering wooden hull slipped away on her drive to tidewater.

Aiming very true, Mrs. R. P. Butchart, wife of the director of wooden shipbuilding on this coast for the Imperial Munitions Board, smashed the traditional bottle of champagne across the fast receding bows of the steamer. Hats immediately went into the air and cheer after cheer rent the atmosphere.

The vessel was beautifully checked as she sped on her way and she was practically brought up within a very few lengths of herself. She had very little way on as she continued on her course slowly out into the stream, where waiting tugs took charge of her. Those on the launching stand were: R. P. Butchart, director of shipbuilding; Mrs. Butchart, sponsor; Capt. J. W. Troup, assistant director of shipbuilding; Mrs. Collins; J. H. Price, president of the building company; T. R. Enderby, treasurer of the Canada West Coast Navigation Company; and Lincoln Smith, managing director of Peter MacQuade & Sons.

After she had done her part Mrs. Butchart gracefully relinquished the remnant of the beribboned bottle to Mr. Enderby, who took particular care to preserve the neck of the historic container.

Subsequent to the launching the platform party was conducted over the new auxiliary schooner Jean Steedman, lying alongside the fitting-out wharf at the Cameron Genoa plant.

The War Yukon has reached the stage when she is ready for the installation of her engines, and it is expected that she will shortly be towed around to the new assembling plant at Ogden Point. She will be the first vessel of the Imperial Munitions Board fleet to get her machinery and will no doubt be the first ship of the twenty-seven under construction to get away to sea. The fitting out of the vessel is expected to take about two months.

The keel of the War Yukon was laid down on July 18 last and the hull was ready for launching over a month ago, but under the recently announced policy of the Board, the vessel was kept on the ways until the superstructure was complete.

The War Yukon is the second ship of this type to be put afloat at this port. The first, the War Songhee, was launched from the Foundation Company's yards at Point Hope on December 27.

Satisfied with the manner of the launching, R. P. Butchart remarked: "I hope all of them go down that way." Capt. Troup expressed great satisfaction at the splendid way the hull was checked.

### TO BE REPLACED BY FINER CRAFT

On what is expected to be her last inbound voyage, one of the big liners of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha reached port to-day from Yokohama.

This steamship, as previously reported in these columns, is shortly to be withdrawn from the trans-Pacific service and transferred to the new O.S.K. steamship route between Yokohama and South America, with calls at Singapore, Colombo, Durban, Capetown, Buenos Ayres and Rio de Janeiro.

She will be succeeded on the North Pacific route, with Victoria as the first port of call, by the first of the four new 10,000-ton liners under construction in Japanese yards for the Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

### FISHING CRAFT LOST OFF GRAHAM ISLAND

Advices from Prince Rupert state that the fishing vessel Kitanga, of the Deep Sea Company, has been lost off Graham Island. The fishing vessel was anchored off the west coast of the island when a storm broke and before her engines

could be started her anchor cables became entangled in the propeller and the rolling vessel was dragged to the bottom. Capt. Oswald and the men aboard the Kitanga made shore safely.



## B.C. Coast Service

Vancouver—Daily at 2 and 11.45 p.m.

Seattle—Daily at 4.30 p.m.

ALASKA—From Vancouver, Jan. 26, Feb. 9, 23, at 9 p.m.

OCEAN FALLS, PRINCE RUPERT and ANYOX (GRANBY BAY)—From Vancouver, Jan. 23, Feb. 2, 13, 23, at 9 p.m., calling at Powell River, Campbell River, Alert Bay, Solitula, Port Hardy, Namu, Bella Bella, Swanson Bay, Butedale, Surf Inlet, Port Simpson, etc.

WEST COAST VANCOUVER ISLAND ROUTE—From Victoria on 1st, 10th and 20th of each month, at 11 p.m.

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### NOTICE TO MARINERS

His Excellency the Administrator in Council on the recommendation of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries and pursuant to the provisions of Section 64 of the Canada Shipping Act, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered that the following section be added to the special regulations for the government of public harbors in the Province of British Columbia, viz:

Nanaimo.

Section 28. The Western Fuel Company is hereby authorized to place and maintain at its own charges three mooring buoys north of its coaling

wharves in Nanaimo harbor; and to moor vessels thereto, and to stretch mooring lines in the intervals between the buoys and the wharf or vessels, provided that if lines are so placed, and so long as they exist as obstructions to navigation between the buoys and the shore each end of every line shall be marked at night by a fixed white light of sufficient power, and shall be supervised by a watchman, charged with the duty of slackening away the lines if necessary and providing that before any line is placed permission is obtained from the Harbor Master, as provided in Section 27 of the general regulations for the government of harbors. Any violation of this regulation shall be punishable by a penalty of twenty dollars.



## Winter Schedule

Effective Dec. 30th, 1917

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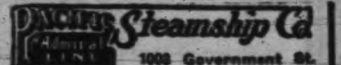
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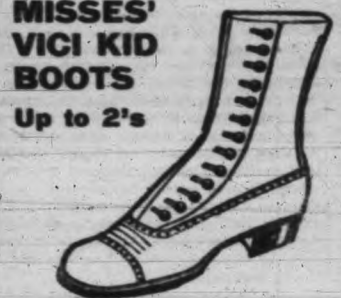
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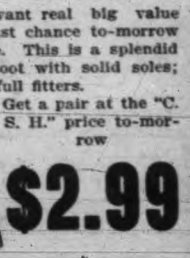
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## HOW SOME GERMAN OFFICERS REGARD THEIR FATHERLAND

Twenty Shot for Firing on Headquarters Staff at Cologne

## DISTANT RELATIVES RESIDÉ IN VICTORIA

The statement of a German prisoner to a British officer, as chronicled in a recent dispatch from British Army Headquarters, that there are already twelve thousand German deserters from the army incarcerated in the civil and military prisons of Cologne is supported by a private communication received in the city during the last few days. While the letter in question does not deal with the particular subject mentioned by the captive, it throws some light on the conditions of military life in the district surrounding the celebrated Rhenish city.

Distant Relatives Here.  
London papers recently announced the death at the hands of a firing squad at Mayence of Ober-Lieutenant Gottfried Schnitzler and twenty of his brother officers for treason. The German officer's relatives by marriage in England received notification of this by way of Switzerland and the full details as then received have now reached relatives in this city. The officer in question was thirty-eight years of age and the father of two children. He was well-known in London, where his business, that of a forwarding agency, took him at least half a dozen times a year. It was during his many sojourns in the Old Country that he first conceived his intense dislike for Prussian systems in general.

Fought Duel.  
In peace days Schnitzler was appreciated on several occasions for his very outspoken utterances at his club in Cologne and similarly for his engagement "insults" to Junker officers in some of the more fashionable restaurants of Cologne. One particular incident also was in the city of Frankfurt-on-the-Main in 1912, when he was forced to accept a challenge to a duel for a heated difference of opinion which reached an extremely high tension in the celebrated Cafe Bauer. The place was crowded with the elect of "kultur society" at the time. The matter was settled at Hanau, a suburb, early next morning with small consequences on either side.

Fired on Generals.  
The latest and final episode in the career of this German officer appears to have been rather more ambitious than any of his previous attempts to show his disdain for his own Fatherland. Schnitzler and his twenty brother officers were in charge of reinforcing squads intended for units originally hailing from the Cologne Military Command. These were being reviewed by the headquarters staff in which three generals were included. No sooner had the formal proceedings terminated than a sudden and detailed discharge of their rifles into the retreating band of staff officers, the command being given simultaneously by Schnitzler and his fellows in the plot.

Officers' Drop Dead.  
Two generals and several of the other officers dropped dead on the spot and since the revolution's attack had been timed to fire that one volley only as a forcible protest against the continuance of the war, the arrival of "loyal" troops with "faithful" officers soon placed the little band under arrest. The men were promptly jailed and the officers court-martialed and shot at Mayence, the chief German military city on the Rhine.

## MUTUAL GLEE.

Two elderly gentlemen, both decently clothed in sober black, were sitting side by side in a motor bus. Each was reading a morning paper. Suddenly one of them uttered an exclamation of pleasure, and the other peered at him over his spectacles.  
"See here," explained the first, with a beaming face, "that Mr. Grewson, who died last week, has left his entire fortune to various charitable enterprises. That will be a surprise to his many relatives. In my case, for I am the minister of a church to which he has left two thousand pounds."  
The other man looked at the newspaper and his face too became wreathed in smiles.  
"Bless him!" he exclaimed, heartily. "All to charitable institutions, in spite of his relatives! Ah, sir, I like to see money left like that—I do, indeed!"  
"Are you also a minister?"  
"No, sir; I am a lawyer!"—The Bits.

## SHIPS HANDLED IN HAPHAZARD MANNER

Prior to Disaster at Halifax No Rules Enforced Governing Vessel Movements

Halifax, Jan. 24.—That the naval department here, having charge of the examination of ships entering Halifax harbor, before the disaster had absolute no rules, especially regulating the movements of munitions ships, was admitted by Commander Wyatt, chief examining officer, testifying before the court now investigating the fatal Mont Blanc-Imo collision of December 6 last.

The probe took on a new phase, two of the witnesses being naval officers. Capt. Passer, commander of the dockyard here, was called to the stand when the inquiry was resumed yesterday morning, and was given a lengthy examination, all counsel present questioning him on various points. The captain stated that since the disaster special regulations controlling munitions ships had been put in force and were being strictly observed.

Later in the day James Hall, chairman of the Halifax Pilotage Commission, told the court that he had heard, "in a general way," that since the disaster a munitions ship coming up the harbor and piloted by Pilot Mackay, who was on board the Mont Blanc on December 6, had narrowly escaped collision with another vessel. Mr. Hall was cross-examined as to the pilotage system here, and admitted to Judge Drysdale that there was quite a bit of "haphazard" in the training of pilots. Commander Wyatt, whose duties of examining officers brought him in frequent contact with the pilots, told the court that they had not been stopped by him. Pressed to give the names of the pilots who had disregarded his orders, witness declined to do so, but stated that Pilot Mackay on one occasion had disobeyed him, but had subsequently apologized.

That he had not been forewarned of the coming of the munitions ship was the statement of Clarence Y. Freeman, of the naval examination department, who was on duty the morning of the disaster. "I saw the Mont Blanc's manifest," he told the court, "but I did not realize how dangerous the cargo was."  
The only other witness of the day was George Dickson, an eye-witness of the collision. Mr. Burchell, counsel for the Imo, requested the court to postpone the cross-examination of Commander Wyatt until to-day.

Both Captain Passer and Commander Wyatt had indicated that the Imo sailed from Bedford Basin on the morning of the disaster without permission.  
**WIRELESS TORPEDO-BOATS.**  
When a German seaplane fired a torpedo at a British steamer off the Suffolk coast and sank it in May last it was generally thought that the enemy had introduced us to a new weapon, or combination of weapons. In point of fact, however, the "torpedo plane" had been successfully used by British airmen in the Sea of Marmora in 1915, while the first patent covering the general idea was filed by Rear-Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, of the American navy in 1912.

The same officer was the originator of the electrically-controlled boat. In a letter to the Army and Navy Journal of New York, early in 1914, he stated that he wrote to the United States authorities in 1897 describing his invention, but the idea was considered visionary and it was not until September, 1898, that he got his application filed in the Patent Office. He did not get back to the United States until 1900, when he found that a patent on the same invention had already been given to Nikola Tesla.

Admiral Fiske does not appear to have taken any practical steps to develop the invention. This has been done, however, on a very successful scale by Mr. John Hays Hammond, Jun., whose rights were bought out last year by the United States Government after nearly three years of exhaustive tests, the sum paid being \$750,000. The details of the apparatus are naturally secret, but the following general account was given by Mr. Hammond to an interviewer early this year:

"A wireless station of special design is located at a point where it will be indestructible, or out of the range of the fire of the enemy. Then that is connected by land wires to a number of observers situated in concrete turrets along the coast. Each of these observers is enabled through his wire to control one torpedo or vessel. A dozen or more torpedoes may be controlled simultaneously from one station, but each observer will control one. Under the system which we have worked out for some years at Gloucester the accuracy of control is such that we are enabled to strike a

## REFUSED TO JOIN ARMY; SENTENCED

Two Calgary Men Are Given Five Years With Hard Labor

Calgary, Jan. 24.—Five years with hard labor in the Edmonton penitentiary was the sentence given by Magistrate Davidson to-day in Police Court here to Christopher Kinsel and Robert Knaggs, charged with evading the Military Service Act. Both men positively refused to join the army. Knaggs refused on religious grounds, although he is not a conscientious objector, while Kinsel did not state his reasons for refusing to enlist, but a great deal of I. W. W. literature was found in his possession at the time of his arrest.

In giving the sentence Magistrate Davidson said: "If at any time you show a disposition to obey the Military Service Act and the military authorities, advise me. I will then consider a remission of the sentence."

Kinsel was born in Wisconsin but is naturalized. Knaggs is about 28 years old. He was born in Owen Sound, Ont.

## FORMER N. Y. K. FLEET HAS BEEN REPLACED

Six Magnificent Steamships Eliminate Older Vessels From This Route

The inauguration of the 1918 sailing schedule of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha marks the passing of all the six passenger steamships of the premier Japanese company, which have heretofore maintained the service between Hongkong, Yokohama, Victoria and Seattle.

The old fleet consisted of the Yokohama Maru, Shishio Maru, Awa Maru, Sado Maru, Kamakura Maru, Inaba Maru and Tamba Maru. These vessels have been found too small to adequately provide for the needs of the trans-Pacific trade, which has increased by leaps and bounds since the outbreak of the European war. The older vessels will now be superseded by a new fleet, comprised of six of the largest and most palatial liners sailing under the houseflag of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, or the houseflag of any other Japanese company.

The new sailing schedule has been issued by the company, but under the existing censorship regulations the future movements of these steamships are withheld.  
The big liners Fushimi Maru and Katori Maru have already completed their maiden trips to Victoria and the next one to put in an appearance will be the Kashima Maru. Then will come in turn the steamships Suwa Maru, Atsuta Maru and Kamo Maru.  
The gross registered tonnage of the vessels of the new fleet follows: Fushimi Maru, 10,949; Suwa Maru, 10,927; Kashima Maru, 9,906; Katori Maru, 9,935; Atsuta Maru, 9,974; Kamo Maru, 7,952.

The gross tonnage of the vessels replaced by the big liners is as follows: Awa Maru, 6,991; Sado Maru, 6,999; Kamakura Maru, 5,932; Shishio Maru, 6,268; Yokohama Maru, 6,147; Tamba Maru, 5,819; Inaba Maru, 5,950.

**LONDON IS DEFEATED.**  
Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 24.—Hamilton defeated London last night in the O. H. A. senior series nine to seven. London led from the start until a few minutes before time was called. With only seven minutes to play, the score was seven to five in London's favor.

## FAMOUS JOCKEY DIES.

New York, Jan. 24.—Jacob Pincus, one of the most famous jockeys and trainers on the American turf, died suddenly of heart disease in the Mount Vernon hospital yesterday. He was born in Baltimore in 1834.  
Pincus was a turf figure of international reputation. He was the only American trainer to win an English Derby with an American-bred horse. This he did in 1881, with Pierre Lorillard's Irregular.

## THIS TOUGH OLD WORLD.

"Now, Willie, see the nice cake I have made for your birthday."  
"Can I eat it all myself?"  
"Why, of course not. You would be sick."  
"That's just the way with you, mamma. Whenever you do give me any pleasure you always tie a string to it."—Exchange.

bamboo rod one inch in diameter, standing upright in the water at a distance of three and a half miles."  
In its original form the idea was simply to have a torpedo on the end of a spar projecting over the bows of a boat, which would be then directed towards its target, but it is understood that it is possible to fit a boat with a number of torpedo-tubes from which small weapons may be discharged by wireless when the vessel comes into line with the target.

Under Mr. Hammond's system a boat has been controlled over a zigzag course of twenty-eight miles and brought back to the starting point, the speed and course being changed from time to time at the direction of an independent observer. This is the sort of thing the Germans have presumably begun to use, but there is no reason as yet to attach any particular significance or importance to it.—The Bits.

## REPORT SAYS HANNA WILL RESIGN POST OF FOOD CONTROLLER

Winnipeg, Jan. 24.—The Ottawa correspondent of the Winnipeg Free Press wires that it is reported on excellent authority that Hon. W. J. Hanna shortly will retire from the post of Food Controller for the Dominion.

## CONTROLLER URGED TO OPERATE TRAWLERS

Vancouver Meeting Suggests Hanna Move to Make Fish Cheaper

Vancouver, Jan. 24.—A resolution urging the Food Controller to arrange at once for the operation of deep-sea trawlers to catch ground fish to ship to the prairie provinces as well as to British Columbia points, and to engage food representatives to distribute them to the people for two pounds for fifteen cents, or eight cents a pound, and that the public be officially educated to realize that these fish, pound for pound, are as good and wholesome as the higher priced fish, to the end that they may substitute these ground-fish for beef and bacon and thus release pounds of the foods that the Allies are clamoring for, moved by W. Hamar Greenwood and seconded by John Wallace, and another one, moved by J. A. Cunningham, president of the B. C. Manufacturers' Association, to the effect that the Mayor of Vancouver be chairman of the meeting, appoint a committee of five to go thoroughly into the fishing industry of British Columbia and to call another meeting when all the facts have been secured from all the interests involved, were the outcome of a gathering in the Board of Trade rooms here last night called by Mayor Gale to consider some action toward cheaper fish as a substitute for the meats needed for the Allies in Europe.

The meeting was of one opinion in the matter: That something was wrong somewhere when halibut was costing 25 and 30 cents per pound in Vancouver, and that the report made by Messrs. Wallace and Greenwood on the possibility of operating a trawler for ground fish that would sell in the retail market at two pounds for fifteen cents should immediately be brought more energetically to the attention of the Government.

## GOEBEN AND BRESLAU GONE; GERMAN\$ SAD

Amsterdam, Jan. 24.—German newspapers received here yesterday comment on the sinking of the former German cruiser Breslau, renamed by the Turks Midulla, and the grounding of the former German battle-cruiser Goeben, re-christened Sultan Selim. The loss of the two vessels, the Cologne Gazette regrets the disaster which befel the vessels because of the irreparable weakening of the Turkish sea power.

The Hamburger Nachrichten refers to the partial destruction by fire recently of the great trans-Atlantic liner von Hindenburg, which was under construction at Danzig. The damage to this vessel, estimated at 1,000,000 marks, it says, has not yet been repaired.

The Frankfurter Zeitung displays great uneasiness over the prospect of the Entente securing additional tonnage from neutrals, and expresses regret that the Swedish Cabinet is willing to march at the head of this movement.

**TWENTY-SIX MEDALS AWARDED BY CARNEGIE HERO FUND OFFICIALS**  
Pittsburg, Jan. 24.—Twenty-six acts of heroism were recognized by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission at its fourteenth annual meeting here to-day.  
In seven cases silver medals were awarded, and in nineteen cases bronze medals. Ten of the heroes lost their lives, and to the dependents of nine of these persons aggregating \$4,500 a year were granted. In addition to these money grants, in two cases \$2,000 was appropriated for educational purposes, payments to be made as needed and approved; and in eleven cases awards aggregating \$3,000 were made for other worthy purposes.

**NO CHANGE TO BE MADE IN FREIGHT RATES FOR MONTH**  
Ottawa, Jan. 24.—The people who are making the appeal against the judgment of the Railway Board increasing the railway freight rates, have been given until February 8 to put in their case and the railways until February 18 to make reply. The appellants are then given until February 28 to make further representations.  
In the meantime the present rates in operation will stand.

**MANY WOMEN VOTE IN VANCOUVER ELECTION**  
Vancouver, Jan. 24.—Women are turning out in large numbers at all the polling places here to-day, seizing eagerly the first opportunity afforded to many of them to vote in a parliamentary election. The predominance of woman electors was particularly marked in Ward One.

## BANK CLEARINGS.

Vancouver, Jan. 24.—The bank clearings here for the week ended to-day were \$4,696,435.

Moose Jaw, Jan. 24.—The bank clearings here for the week ended to-day were \$1,557,786.

Lethbridge, Jan. 24.—The bank clearings here for the week ended to-day were \$715,974.

Saskatoon, Jan. 24.—The bank clearings here for the week ended to-day were \$1,524,008.

Edmonton, Jan. 24.—The bank clearings here for the week ended to-day were \$2,148,987.

## PLEA AGAINST CHEATING IN FOOD MATTERS

Vancouver, Jan. 24.—"Rationing will never be necessary in Canada if we act honorably to ourselves and our neighbors, and if no one cheats," said W. B. Rook, editor of The Canadian Home Journal and president of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, addressing a mass meeting of the executive of the various women's organizations here yesterday in the Board of Trade rooms.

## LABORITES STAY IN BRITISH CABINET

Labor Conference Shelves Resolution Demanding Withdrawal of Labor Members

Nottingham, Jan. 24.—While condemning the votes cast in the House of Commons on some occasions by Rt. Hon. George N. Barnes and other members of the Labor Party, the Labor conference here to-day by a large majority shelved a resolution demanding the withdrawal of the Labor members from the Cabinet.

Rt. Hon. Arthur Henderson, formerly a member of the War Cabinet, appealed to the conference not to pass the resolution. He said it would break up the Government and delay peace. Personally he would never again belong to a Government, he asserted, unless the urgency of the Labor executive was that the Government suspend consideration of the Man-Power Bill by the House of Commons until after the Labor conference here, so that the members of the Labor Party in the House would be able to participate in the debate on the measure.

Mr. Henderson announced that he had received a letter from Mr. Lloyd George saying that the views of the Labor executive had been carefully considered, but that in consequence of the urgency of the problem and on the advice of the military experts, it was impossible to comply with the executive's request and that the Government would proceed with the Man-Power Bill.

## UDGE NO LAND BE HELD BY ASIATICS

Vernon War Veterans Want Them Prevented Holding Land in Canada

Vernon, Jan. 25.—A resolution recommending that Orientals be prevented from becoming owners of real estate in Canada has been passed by the Vernon branch of the Great War Veterans' Association in the following terms:

"Whereas we firmly realize the stern facts that the opportunities offered to Orientals in this province, and in the Dominion of Canada generally, which are all too plainly hindering the possible opportunities of our men returning from the front, and whereas we feel the necessity of making Canada as thoroughly British as our strength will permit, be it therefore resolved that we urge the Government of British Columbia, likewise the Federal Government, to take steps to prevent said Orientals obtaining leases of land for periods of more than one year and positively preventing them from acquiring ownership of real estate within our borders."

## FLOOD MADE GERMAN TOWN COLLAPSE LIKE A PACK OF CARDS

Amsterdam, Jan. 24.—Telegraphic advices from Frankfurt to Dutch newspapers report that the recent rise of the Nahe River, a tributary of the Rhine, caused damage of several million marks to German property. The town of Saborhorne, on the Nahe, with a population of about 5,000, is reported to have collapsed like a pack of cards.

Floods also are causing considerable damage in various parts of Holland.

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## CIRCUMSTANCES WILL NOW BE INVESTIGATED

St. Paul, Jan. 24.—Frank Thompson, chairman of the Minnesota Boxing Commission, has announced that the Commission would investigate reports that Fred Fulton fought with a broken bone in his hand in the match with Billy Miske here last Friday night. Mr. Thompson said that if the Commission is satisfied that Fulton went into the ring knowing the bone was fractured he would recommend that the boxer be barred from Minnesota bouts. The statement was made by Dr. Edward J. Clark, Minneapolis, who cocaine he gave Fulton to ease the pain in his hand rendered him unable to make the best showing against Miske.

## AMATEUR HOCKEY LEAGUE.

New York, Jan. 24.—Formation of the National Amateur Hockey League, which will play a series of games to decide the American amateur championship was announced in this city last night. The league will be composed of the Wanderers, New York, and teams from the Pittsburgh A. A., the Arena Hockey Club, of Boston, and the Charlestown, Mass., Navy Yard. The winner of the series will meet the Canadian champion team for the international title and the Art Ross Cup.

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## COMPLAINT AGAINST GERMAN SOCIALISTS

At Big Meeting Vienna Socialists Declared They Had Been Forsaken

London, July 24.—A Reuter dispatch from Zurich reports that the Vienna newspapers of Monday indicate that the leaders experienced considerable trouble in persuading the strikers to return to work.

Various speakers at a huge meeting complained that the Austrian Socialists had been left in the lurch by their German comrades.  
The Zeit says the coal famine in Vienna is causing intense misery. Women wait for hours outside the coal depots and have to return home in despair without fuel. Bitter weather adds to the general suffering.

## BIG HALIBUT CATCH ARRIVES FROM NORTH

Budget of Shipping News From the Terminal City Waterfront

Vancouver, Jan. 24.—A. L. Hager, manager of the New England Fish Company, received a telegram this morning stating that the schooner Tyee had arrived at Ketchikan with 40,000 pounds of halibut.  
The schooner reported very bad weather on the banks and in riding out the gale she lost two anchors and the cable and had to make for Ketchikan to pick up new anchors.  
The G. T. P. steamer Prince Albert arrived from Prince Rupert last night with a thousand tons of ore from the Rocher de Boule mine, near Hazelton. The steamer went on to Tacoma with the ore.  
A Canadian-Australian liner commanded by Captain Ralls will sail for Honolulu, Suva, Auckland and Sydney to-day.

The steel steamer Alaska, launched from the Coughlan yards on January 19, will be moved to the fitting-out berth in the morning and work will be commenced on installing the engines and boilers. The engines are coming from the east but the boilers were made at the Coughlan yards.

The next vessel to be launched from the yard will be the War Camp, which will be sent down the ways next month.

## SOME PRISONERS TAKEN BY FRENCH

Paris, Jan. 24.—"There is nothing to report except a raid east of Aubervilliers, in which we took prisoners," says today's War Office statement.

## CLASSROOMS NEEDED.

Vancouver, Jan. 24.—Asserting that unless increased school accommodation could be provided for them immediately, fully 600 children due to enter the receiving classes on February 1 would have to be refused admission.

A delegation from the school board here waited on the civic finance committee yesterday and appealed for an appropriation of \$25,000 to be used in providing additional classrooms.

## THE WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Jan. 24.—5 a.m.—The barometer remains low over Northern British Columbia and the interior, and mild weather is general. Snow has fallen in Cariboo and parts of Kootenay and temperatures are above zero in the prairie provinces except at Winnipeg.

Reports.  
Victoria—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 44; wind, 20 miles S.W.; rain, .05; weather, cloudy.  
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.05; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles S.; rain, .05; weather, cloudy.  
Nanaimo (Entrance Is.)—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles N.W.; weather, cloudy.  
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, maximum yesterday, 40; minimum, 38; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.  
Barkerville—Barometer, 29.81; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 22; wind, calm; snow, .34; weather, cloudy.  
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 38; wind, 15 miles E.; rain, .02; weather, raining.  
Tasoochee—Barometer, 29.15; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 46; wind, 8 miles W.; rain, .46; weather, cloudy.  
Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, maximum yesterday, 52; minimum, 50; wind, 16 miles S.W.; rain, .02; weather, raining.  
Seattle—Barometer, 30.15; temperature, maximum yesterday, 52; minimum, 50; wind, 16 miles S.W.; rain, .02; weather, raining.  
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, maximum yesterday, 61; minimum, 46; wind, 4 miles S.W.; weather, clear.  
Nelson—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 38; snow, .38.

Temperature.

## IRELAND, BRITAIN AND UNITED STATES

London, Jan. 24.—There is no attempt to disguise the fact that British statesmen are determined not to permit the Irish question to interfere at any time in the future with the relations between Great Britain and the United States, and they are ready to exert possible pressure to effect an amicable settlement.

Whatever happens, it is not thought there is likely to be further threat of civil war in Ireland. It is believed the plan decided upon will meet with the approval of a majority of Ireland's well-wishers everywhere and that by wise and firm administration the uncompromising elements eventually will be won over.

## TO-DAY'S TRADING ON WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, Jan. 24.—There was little feature to the cash oat market to-day. The demand for cash barley continued strong, but offerings were very light and transactions few.  
Oats futures closed 1 cent lower for May and July. Barley closed 2 higher for May. Flax closed unchanged for January and 1 down for May.

## NEW YORK BOND MARKET.

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|---------------------------|--------|--------|
| Anglo-French five, 1921   | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| U. K. five, 1918          | 97 1/2 | 98     |
| U. K. five, 1919          | 98 1/2 | 99     |
| U. K. five, 1920          | 99 1/2 | 100    |
| U. K. five, 1921          | 99 1/2 | 100    |
| U. K. five, 1922          | 99 1/2 | 100    |
| Amn. For. Sec. five, 1919 | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| French Govt. five, 1921   | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| City of Paris five, 1921  | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| French Cities five, 1919  | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Russian five, 1921        | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Russian five, 1922        | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Dom. of Can. five, 1921   | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Dom. of Can. five, 1922   | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Dom. of Can. five, 1923   | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Argentine five, 1920      | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Dom. of Can. five, 1924   | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| French five, 1925         | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| A. T. & S. F. four, 1926  | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| B. O. four, 1926          | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Beth. Steel five, 1926    | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Cent. Pac. four, 1926     | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| C. B. & Q. four, 1926     | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| C. M. & St. P. four, 1926 | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| C. & N. W. four, 1926     | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| L. & N. four, 1926        | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| N. Y. Ry. four, 1926      | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| N. P. four, 1926          | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Reading Co. four, 1926    | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| U. P. four, 1926          | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| West. Ry. four, 1926      | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| U. P. five, 1926          | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| S. P. four, 1926          | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Penn. Ry. Co. four, 1926  | 95 1/2 | 96     |
| Penn. Ry. Co. four, 1927  | 95 1/2 | 96     |





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## SMALL VOTE DECIDES DELEGATES' ACTION

Five to Four Against Industrial Conscriptio Says Victoria Labor

**Bank Clearings.**—The report of the Victoria Clearing House for the week ending to-day shows total clearings amounting to \$1,577,683, a slight increase over last year when the clearings were \$1,561,818.

**Proposed Steel Plant.**—Dr. S. F. Tolmie, M. P., and J. C. McIntosh, M. P., have sent acknowledgments to the City Council of the receipt of resolutions recently passed with regard to iron and steel industries on the Island, and promised support to the movement.

**Exceptional Weather in Dawson.**—According to the official weather report, Dawson last month experienced the lowest average temperature since the records were first kept in 1901. The temperature was below zero every day throughout the month, the mean temperature being fifty below. The lowest temperature was sixty-three below and the highest thirty-five below.

**German Name Eliminated.**—Following the example of the National Rose Society of England, the American Societies have changed the German cognomen of the white rose "Frau Karl Druski" to "Snow-Queen," and as such, this beautiful blossom will appear in the lists for the annual rose show to be held in Seattle in June.

**Is Remanded.**—Dominick Fallentiere, a poolroom operator, who figured recently in a blind pig prosecution which aroused some attention, the accused being acquitted, is once more in the toils, having been arrested on a charge of selling liquor last evening at his home on Superior Street. F. C. Elliott, who is again defending him, secured a remand till Tuesday, bail being allowed in two sureties.

**West Coast Lumber Association.**—For the purpose of assisting in speeding up war supplies in aircraft, lumber and shipbuilding timber, Major R. C. Cooper, M. P., elected for South Vancouver, will tomorrow speak at a dinner to be given at the Washington Hotel, Seattle, by the West Coast Lumber Association.

**Mayor of Ladysmith Bereaved.**—Mrs. Mary Robertson, wife of Cyril Robertson, of Chemainus River, passed away on Tuesday at the home of her niece, Mrs. Eannell, wife of the Mayor of Ladysmith. Mrs. Robertson had been ill for some months and a few weeks ago went to Ladysmith to obtain medical treatment. For the past five years her husband has been engaged in farming at Chemainus River. The funeral will be held in Ladysmith tomorrow at 1 o'clock.

By a narrow margin of five votes to four the Victoria Trades and Labor Council last night passed a resolution instructing its delegates to the Convention of the British Columbia Federation of Labor to vote against the principle of "industrial conscription." There is a proviso, however, that should it be the intention to make the designation read "industrial democracy" or the "nationalizing of the nation's industries," then the delegates would be in a position to add their "ayes." Messrs. Dakers and Peel will cross to the Mainland to attend the Convention, which is slated for the Terminal City next week.

The Victoria body desires conscription to be applied not only to workers but to everything, in which case labor will not oppose drafting of men for the necessary war work. It was advanced by several members last night that it might be better, before taking any stand, to discover what likelihood existed of industrial conscription becoming a real factor and if so what it would actually imply.

It was argued that if the Government contemplated launching a programme along that line common sense would be used in the drafting of regulations so as to be as reasonable with labor as possible. Discontented workers, it was agreed, would be a hindrance rather than a help, and to avoid such a condition should be the first aim of the Government.

**John Day and Christian Sivertis** averred that the Labor Movement of Canada had long ago committed the folly of adopting an antagonistic attitude to the Government's plans for the mobilizing of the nation's forces for efficient war prosecution. Public sympathy with Labor Unions had been alienated by the very fact that just the contrary attitude to that shown in the Old Country had characterized the Canadian plan.

The Delegates to the Convention were instructed to oppose with vigor any proposal for the introduction of the Chinese coolie into British Columbia and were granted power to use their own discretion in connection with female help.

## CHIMNEY FIRES

Prosecutions in Court To-day Lead to Recommendations From Fire Chief to Protect Public.

In the City Police Court to-day fines of \$10 each were imposed, being the minimum fine under the municipal by-law, on citizens whose chimneys have been on fire recently entailing a run of the Fire Department. They ranged in rank from Lady McBride, for whom Nell Mackay appeared, down to humble Chinamen.

Chief Davis says the only way to protect the public is by a system of licensing chimney sweeps, so that the citizens can be protected against incompetent sweeps. He says that the Council should have a regulation to license the men in this occupation, and that orders for sweeps should pass through his office. The citizens should be allowed to select from the approved list the sweep he desired to employ and take an order to that man issued through the Fire Department. Then the sweep would be responsible till the work was done, and should file periodically a report showing what chimneys have been swept.

If a fire occurred within a reasonable time, the responsibility could be fixed, he says, and the citizen who exercised proper supervision over his flues would be protected from prosecution. He says his experience with chimney fires here has forced him to the opinion that the present haphazard system is a failure and that public are not protected from the mistakes of incompetent sweeps.

## ABSOLUTE CLOSING ON SUNDAY TO COMMENCE

Effective February 3, Tobacco and News Stands Will Be Closed on Sundays

If the City Police Commissioners can make it so, Victoria will become an airtight city so far as Sunday trading is concerned after next Sunday. The only uncertainty is with regard to the attitude of the Attorney-General's Department, which has the final say before prosecutions under the Lord's Day Act can be initiated.

Discussing the decision of the Police Commissioners yesterday on this subject, Mayor Todd said this morning to The Times: "The reason why the Commissioners have reached this decision is because we have found that unless drastic action is taken the city will soon be wide open because the Attorney-General's Department have taken no notice in the past two months of our requests to prosecute offenders. Each Sunday finds more places open."

"We shall do our duty, and if the town is not closed up the Commissioners will not be responsible. All news stands, tobacco stands, etc., will be notified that next Sunday will be the last opportunity to remain open for trading on Sundays."

"And what about the news stands within the hotels? The Times man asked, in view of that issue having wrecked the attempt to enforce absolute closing in 1914."

"We shall make no distinction. Uniform closing will be in force on February 3. There is no justice in making a choice between any of these." The Chief of Police is taking steps to put the order into operation as from the date stated.

## FRANCIS VS. WILKERSON

Counsel Argues Alimony Decree Not a Judgment.

The action before the Court of Appeal in the case of Francis vs. Wilkerson was resumed this morning. H. A. McLean, K. C., representing plaintiff, and Frank Higgins defendant, the latter counsel arguing and quoting authorities to show that the decree for alimony pronounced in the divorce proceedings does not come within the category of "judgments and executions" over which an assignment takes precedence.

In the case of the Meadow Creek Lumber Co. vs. Adolph Lumber Co., judgment is reserved.

## COMPANIES REGISTERED

Lumber Concern With Half Million Capital and Head Office in Victoria.

During the week ending at noon to-day certificates of incorporation have been issued by the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies in respect of the following concerns, official notification of which will appear in this day's issue of the British Columbia Gazette:

Bainbridge Lumber Company, Limited, private, authorized capital, \$500,000; registered office, Victoria.

Estey & Brisson, Limited, private company, authorized capital, \$10,000; registered office of the company, Vancouver.

Central British Columbia Colonization Company, Limited, private, authorized capital, \$45,000; registered office of the company, Vancouver.

The City Taxi-Cab Auto and Sightseeing Company, Limited, private, authorized capital, \$75,000; registered office, Vancouver.

Seaside Lumber Company, Limited, private, authorized capital, \$120,000; registered office, Vancouver.

Athabasca Oils, Limited, incorporated in the Province of Alberta and now licensed to do business in British Columbia. Head office of the company, Vancouver; authorized capital, \$200,000.

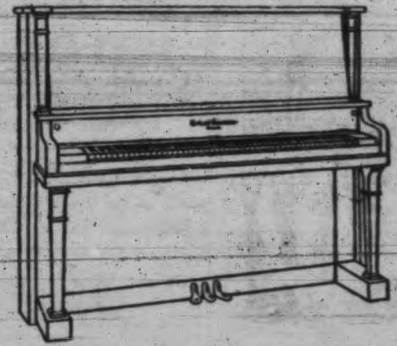
**Successful Social.**—The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of St. Paul's Presbyterian Military and Naval Church held a social in the lecture hall last night. The capacity of the hall was taxed to such an extent that after refreshments following a splendid programme arranged by Mrs. Lewis Hall, the gathering divided into two parts, one-half going to the recreation hall, to play the games arranged for the evening. The sailors and men from the naval barracks, who were the guests of the young people, thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Another social is planned for February.

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## VICTORY BONDS IN PAYMENT OF TAXES

Not Until May; Tag Days and War Charities Act; Road Oil

As there will not be any Victory Bonds available till May, Mayor Todd will ask the Council to defer action until then on his proposal to accept bonds of the late National issue in payment of municipal taxes. His Worship made a suggestion to the late council, which was tabled till it was known when such bonds would be available for issuance.

**Tax Delinquency.**—Anticipatory of the deputation from the Board of Trade to the aldermen, with regard to tax delinquency, J. J. Shallock called on the Mayor to-day, and discussed the suggestions to be offered, in connection with the City's private bill, which is now ready for printing. The deputation will be received to-morrow week.

**To Sell Primroses.**—The situation with regard to tag days must shortly be faced. An application has been filed affecting street contributions which doubtless comes within the same category as similar applications, this being from the Esquimalt branch of the Red Cross Society, to sell primroses on the streets of Victoria on April 19 to aid the fund.

Philanthropic people are somewhat mystified by the War Charities Act, and are under the impression that application to Ottawa is necessary. What is required is that the head offices of the society should be registered with the Secretary of State and that people promoting any war charity should have the consent of its executive. With that power application should be made to the local governing authority for holding of the collection, in whatever form it may take. Power is given to the Secretary of State to designate local committees under warrant to deal with such applications. It is not improbable that such committees will be set up in British Columbia.

**Road Oil.**—People who do not live on paved streets will note with apprehension, that no bids have been received to supply road oil for the city, as contractors handling this commodity will not enter into undertakings to supply oil this summer in the present uncertain state of the market. The City Engineer states that personal invitation has been failed to elicit any response to the invitation to tender, and at present no source of supply is in sight.

## GETS ONE YEAR

Cedar Hill Man Sentenced for Failing to Register Under Military Service Act.

A young dairyman, William J. Jones, of Cedar Hill, who failed to register under the Military Service Act, was sent to prison to-day for a year in Magistrate Jay's court.

Jones, according to Captain Tweedale, Assistant Provost-Marshal, had admitted that he failed to register. He was about thirty-three years of age, a native of England, who had lived in the district for fifteen years. He was a farmer in a small way of business and kept cattle.

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## VICTORIANS TO HEAR ISOLDE MENGES PLAY

Famous English Girl Violinist to Give Recital Here on February 4

Victorians are shortly to have the opportunity to hear Isolde Menges, the famous English girl-violinist. This talented artist, who is declared by leading musical critics to rank with Ysaie and Kreisler, has appeared in recital on many occasions at the Queen's Hall and the Aeolian Hall in London, England.

She has been in a tour of the leading cities throughout the Dominion, meeting with instantaneous and phenomenal success wherever she has appeared. At Hamilton, Ontario, Miss Menges conducted a musical feast of six days, which was a great success, her mastery playing being received with overwhelming ovations. She will give a recital in this city on February 4, the place to be announced later.

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## In "Bab's Diary" at the Royal This Week

Marguerite Clark illustrates that though she has much to learn about financial matters she certainly is a good judge of a car. No sooner does she experience the thrill of "immense wealth"—a thousand dollars, to be exact—than she straightway acquires the car of her dreams, a nifty little



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### GOVERNMENT'S APPEAL TO CITY GARDENERS

Emphasis is Laid on Increasing Production in the Back Yard

The campaign for increased production in Victoria will be launched, probably early next month, as a great deal of preliminary work has to be done before the seeding time. While there were a number of lots ploughed last fall, which will only require harrowing and discing this spring, and will not, therefore, entail much trouble, the majority of lots will have to be ploughed as soon as the season opens, and in addition it is hoped that there will be a material increase in the number under cultivation.

The latest issue of the Canadian Food Bulletin lays particular emphasis on improving the organization, and increasing the acreage under crop this year.

**In The Back Yard.**  
It says in part: "Every back yard should be used for the cultivation of fruit and vegetables. Suburban areas should be utilized for food production. Much could be done by individual households if people only realize the desperate seriousness of the situation and the fact that every ounce of food is a necessary and important contribution in the fight against defeat. Hundreds of thousands of men and women, boys and girls could spare a short time each day to cultivate a garden, and thus to grow food which would release other food commodities for shipment overseas. The staffs of industrial establishments, both office and factory, could do much by organizing clubs to cultivate vacant areas near their own places of employment or vacant lots elsewhere in the municipality. Girl Guides and Boy Scouts could also make a real contribution towards relief of the situation. In this way a large part of the requirements of cities and towns, insofar as vegetables are concerned, would be supplied by back yard and vacant lot cultivation, so that market gardeners could use their land in part for grain crops."

"City cultivation received a very important stimulus last year. Amateur gardeners will be more efficient this season and splendid results should be obtained if the people will understand that every vegetable and every ounce of other food which they can produce from city land frees labor and developed land for the production of grain for export to the Allied armies and peoples."

**Must Grow Grain.**  
"The market gardener would do well to plan during the coming season to devote part of his land to grain. It is quite probable that there will be as much profit for him in growing oats, or even wheat, as in raising cabbages or similar vegetable crops. It is important that he appreciate the real significance to him of back yard gardening and vacant lot cultivation schemes. Our cities are gradually working towards the time when a large part of their requirements of perishable vegetables will be provided from city land. The market gardener must adjust his operations to this changing situation."

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### RAID IN BELGIUM FOILED BY FRENCH

Enemy Driven From Foothold He Gained East of Nieupoort

Paris, Jan. 24.—The War Office here reported last night: "In Belgium there was cannonading in the Nieupoort sector. The enemy detachment which penetrated one of our lines to the east of Nieupoort this morning was immediately driven out. "On the right bank of the Meuse the artillery was quite active in the sector of Hill 344 and on the front of Chamo Wood. At the latter point an enemy attack, following upon a spirited bombardment failed under our fire. "In the period of January 17-20 ten enemy aeroplanes were brought down. In addition it was confirmed that four German machines reported as having been seriously damaged in a preceding period were in reality brought down, thus increasing to nineteen the number of machines destroyed by our pilots from January 1 to 10."

**British Report.**  
London, Jan. 24.—A report from Field-Marshal Haig, last night said: "A small party of the enemy which endeavored to approach our positions early this morning west of Villers-Guislain was dispersed by our fire. "Another hostile party succeeded in entering our trenches northwest of La Bassee, but was ejected, leaving prisoners in our hands. "Later in the morning, enemy troops raided one of our saps. Three of our men are missing. "The hostile artillery has shown some activity during the day at different points between St. Quentin and the Scarpe, and also southeast of Messines and in the neighborhood of Zennekeke."

"Aviation.—Nearly 400 bombs were dropped Tuesday on enemy billets at Roulers and Menin and on other targets in the enemy's forward area. Several thousand rounds were fired from aeroplanes at hostile troops and batteries. "Seven enemy machines were downed in air fighting, two were driven down out of control, and an observation balloon was downed in flames. Two of our machines are missing."

**British Ready.**  
London, Jan. 24.—(Via Reuters' Ottawa Agency).—Reuters' correspondent at British headquarters in France, discussing the threatened impending German offensive, says: "It is taken for granted that the utmost any violent onslaught against any part of our front can hope to attain would be to push us back a little. Any prospect of breaking through is practically negligible, and is scarcely worth discussion. In the meantime we are preparing ghastly hospitality for the enemy if he attempts an attack."

**Brilliant French Raid.**  
With the French Armies in France, Jan. 23.—Via London, Jan. 24.—French troops on Monday executed a brilliant raid on the German lines eastward from Yverdon-le-Chateau, near Four-de-Paris, along a front of 3,000 yards and reaching a depth of 500 yards. An intense artillery preparation made the progress of the troops easy and they were able to destroy all enemy works, galleries and shelters before returning to their own line. "Fifteen prisoners were captured by the French, as well as three machine guns. The French suffered few casualties and none killed. All the participants in the raid declared that the German work was magnificent, not only as regards destruction but in the manner in which it completely silenced the enemy artillery."

### WARSPITE, OLD WOODEN BRITISH WAR VESSEL, BURNED IN THAMES

New York, Jan. 24.—Many afternoon papers here yesterday carried an item from London which read:

"London, Jan. 22.—Three British boys, all under 16 years old, members of the crew of the British super-dreadnought Warspite, were arrested yesterday charged with setting the vessel afire."

Some papers carried the explanation that the Warspite played a prominent part in the Jutland naval battle; that although badly damaged, she managed to reach port, but, evidently she was of no further use and was converted into a training ship. The truth is this: The Warspite, burned Sunday in the Thames River, was a wooden three-decker vessel built in 1823. She had been lent by the British Admiralty to a charitable society which was training boys for a possible career in the navy. She had been moored at Woolwich for years. No one was injured in the fire.

### HORRORS DONE BY INVADING TEUTON ARMIES IN ITALY

Washington, Jan. 24.—Italian official dispatches continue to tell of attacks and horrors perpetrated on prisoners of war and the Italian civil population by the Austro-German invaders. Near Codroipo the invading troops drove Italian prisoners before them to be slaughtered by the gunfire of the comrades and at Piave Austrian troops drove parties of civilians manacled together ahead of their advance into the Italian fire. Near Caserotto, sailors and shock troops of Italian forces were attacked, apparently by a large number of women who turned out to be Austrian soldiers in petticoats. Escaped Italian prisoners report Austrian soldiers wearing rings from the hands of Italian women and many other depredations.

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### ONLY EIGHT BRITISH MERCHANTMEN SUNK BY ENEMY IN WEEK

London, Jan. 24.—Again the sinkings of British merchantmen by mine or submarine have been held at a low point. Only six vessels of 1,600 tons or over and two under that tonnage were destroyed in the last week, according to the Admiralty report of last night. The summary:

"Arrivals, 2,255; sailings, 2,242; British merchantmen of 1,600 tons or more sunk by mine or submarine, six; under 1,600 tons, two; fishing vessels, none; British merchantmen unsuccessfully attacked, six."

The sinkings of British merchantmen for the last week duplicate the sinkings of the previous week—six large ships and two small ones. In the previous week two fishing vessels also were sunk; in the last week the fishing craft escaped entirely. The Admiralty reports on January 3 and January 9 gave the sinking as twenty-one merchantmen, of which eighteen were more than 1,600 tons in each case.

Rome, Jan. 24.—The weekly report of Italian shipping losses gives the sinking of only one small sailing vessel. One steamship was attacked unsuccessfully.

Paris, Jan. 24.—The sinking of two French vessels of more than 1,600 tons and one of lesser size is shown in the weekly report of French shipping losses. Four vessels were attacked unsuccessfully.

### RAILWAY NATIONALIZATION.

Calgary, Jan. 24.—Hon. Charles Stewart, Premier of Alberta, declared in favor of the nationalization of all the Canadian railroads in an interview here yesterday. He expressed the firm belief that this could be done far more effectively under Government control of all roads than under the present system. "I am for either nationalization of all the roads," he said, "or for a refusal to grant a rate increase."

### Ringworm on Child's Head

Caused Great Distress and Spread to Neck and Ears—Cure Was Speedily Effectuated When Right Treatment Was Recommended

Grand Bend, Ont., Jan. 24.—There is no disease of the skin more obstinate than ringworm, and the mother who writes this letter does so fully realizing what it will mean to other anxious mothers to know about Dr. Chase's Ointment.

This remarkable cure was brought about two years ago, and as there has been no return of the distressing disease there can be no doubt that the cure is permanent.

Mrs. D. Stebbins, Grand Bend, Ont., writes: "I am going to tell you of my experience with Dr. Chase's Ointment. My little girl had sores come on her head which looked like ringworms. They were spreading fast, and I tried home treatment, but nothing helped her. I took her to the doctor, and he opened some of the sores, which were as big as the yolk of an egg. The salve he gave me to put on was very severe, and the poor child would cry for an hour or more after an application. For six weeks it continued to spread all over her head, and came down to her neck and ears. She suffered terribly. At last some kind ladies told me about Dr. Chase's Ointment, so I got a box, and the first time I put it on she was relieved of pain, and the second time the swelling was all gone. Before we had finished the first box the sores were nearly all gone. I have told all the people around here about your Ointment, and I cannot praise it too much. It is now two years since my little girl was troubled in this way, and it never came back, so you can see she is completely cured. You are at liberty to use this statement for the benefit of others who may be suffering in a similar manner."

Joseph Brenner, J. P., endorses this statement as follows: "This is to certify that I am personally acquainted with Mrs. D. Stebbins, of Grand Bend, Ont., and believe her statement with reference to Dr. Chase's Ointment to be true and correct."

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Women's Black Cashmere Hosiery, in medium weight, reinforced heels and toes. Price ..... 50¢  
Penman's Black Cashmere Hosiery, in heavy quality, seamless throughout; all sizes. Price, 60¢ and ..... 65¢  
Penman's Black Cashmere Hosiery, fully fashioned and seamless; sizes 8½ to 10. Price ..... 75¢  
Pure Wool Black Hosiery, in light weight, wide elastic tops, double heels and toes. Price ..... 85¢  
Penman's Pure Wool Hosiery, in medium and heavy qualities, seamless; all sizes. Price ..... \$1.00  
White Cashmere Hosiery, in medium quality, seamless, double heels and toes; sizes 9 to 10. Price ..... 65¢  
Boys' Heavy Cashmere Hosiery, 3-1 rib; sizes 9, 9½, 10. Price, pair ..... 60¢  
—Underwear, Main Floor

Nightgowns, made of excellent quality longcloth and stamped in dainty designs for solid and eye-let embroidery. Price, \$1.25

Children's Made-up Gertrudes, made of good quality longcloth and stamped in dainty and simple designs for embroidery; sizes 2, 4 and 6 years. Price ..... 69¢  
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## 2,500 Yards of Double Bordered Scrims, Worth 25c, Special Friday at 19c Yard

This remarkable value is the result of a special purchase, made by our buyer some months ago. It will be to your advantage to supply your curtain wants now at this special price.

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Rich Cream Scotch Madras Muslin, with neat floral centres and double borders. A splendid selection of dainty floral, conventional and small all-over styles. These make serviceable wash curtains and full-length curtains for any room; full 36 inches wide, and well worth 35c per yard. Special, Friday, yard ..... 29¢

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The "Korrek" Hose Supporters for children, in small, medium and large sizes, with curved shoulder straps. Per pair ..... 35¢  
C. M. C. Hose Supporters for children, good quality elastic and strong clasps or rubbers; black and white; all sizes. Per pair, 25¢, 30¢ and ..... 35¢  
Finest Quality Dressing Combs, made of black and white celluloid. Each, 25¢, 35¢, 50¢, 65¢ and ..... 75¢  
Button Hooks, price, each ..... 8¢  
Toothbrushes, with fine, strong bristles. Each, 15¢, 20¢, 25¢  
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